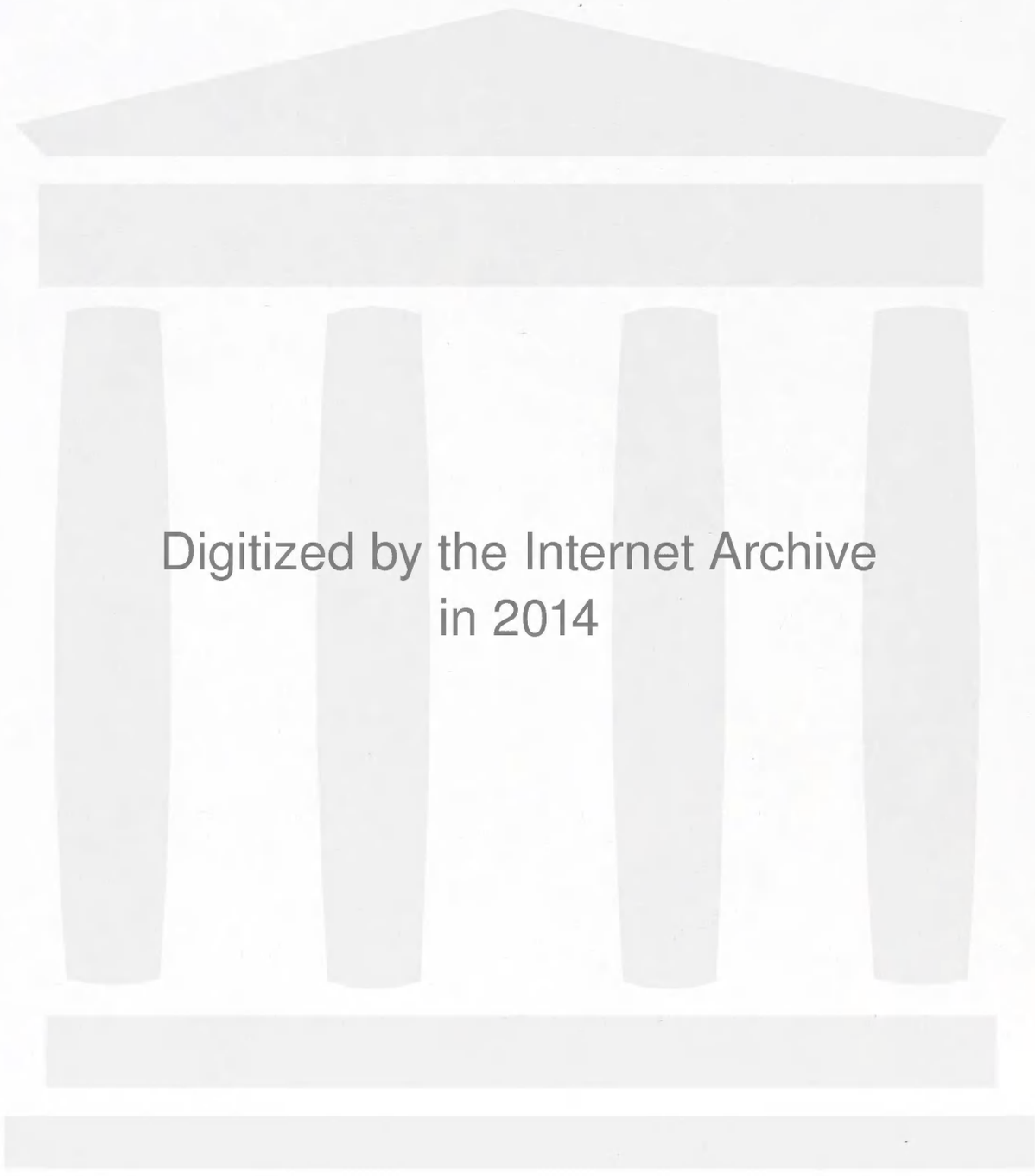

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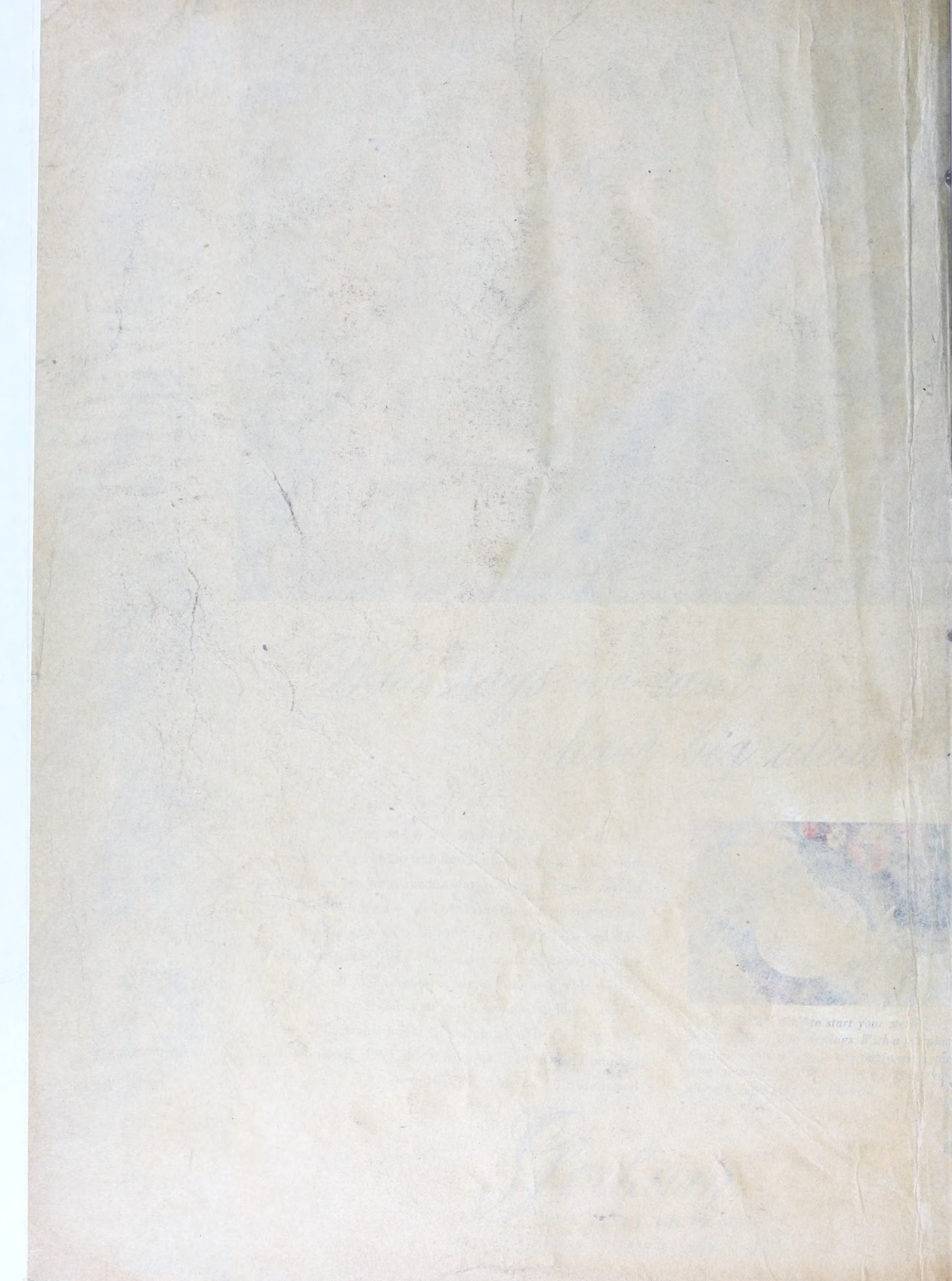
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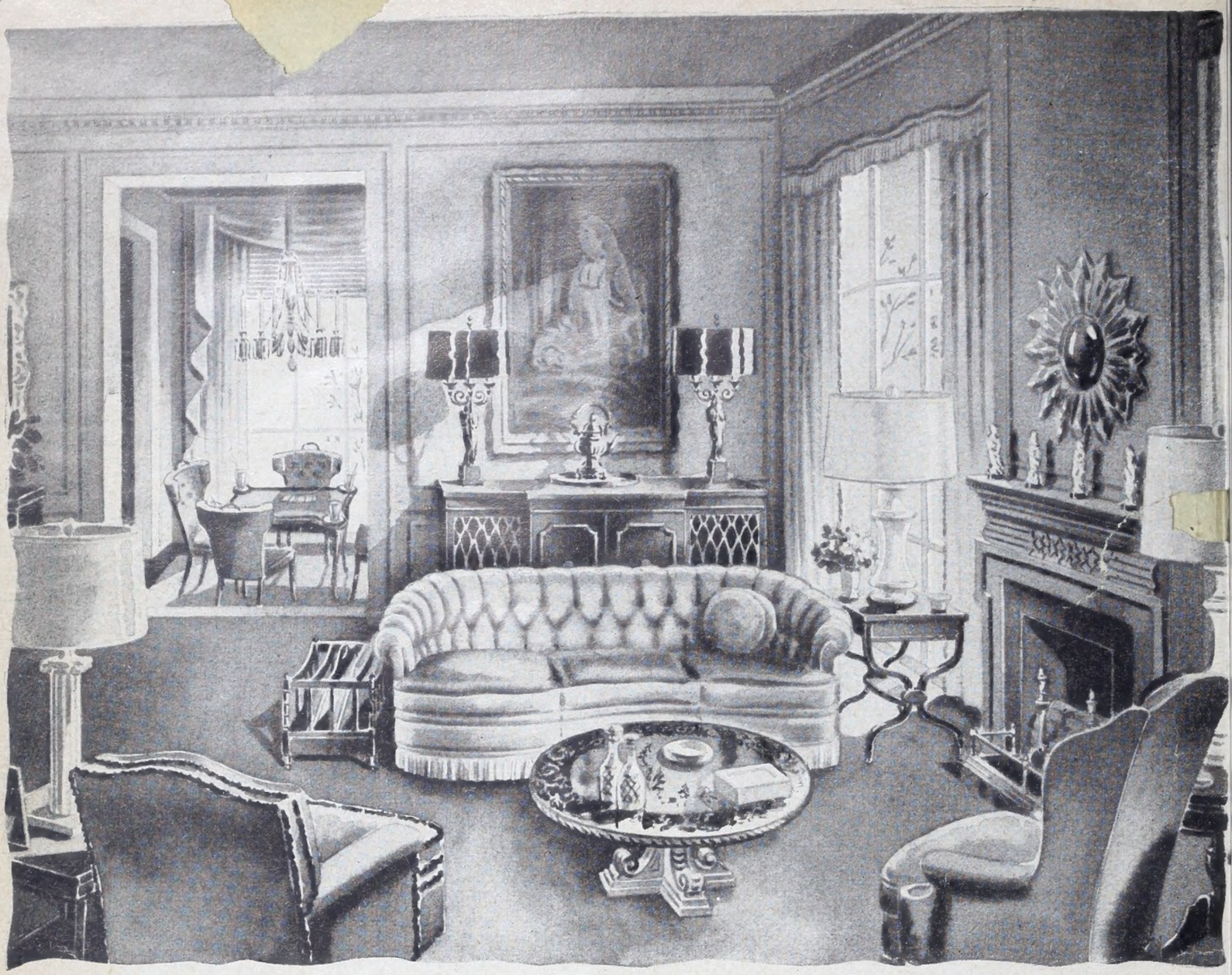
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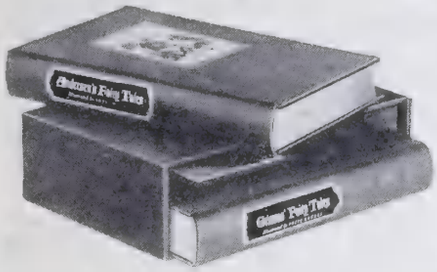
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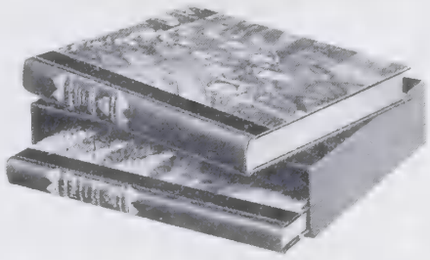
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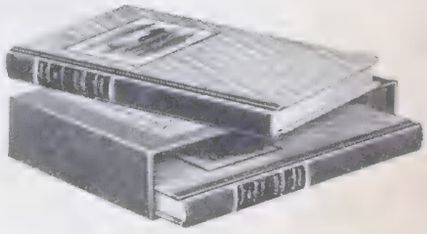
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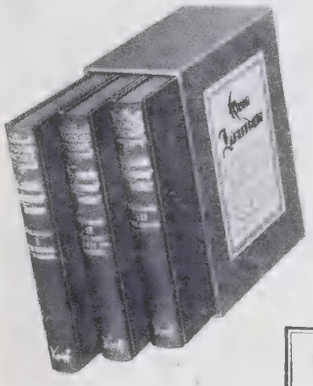
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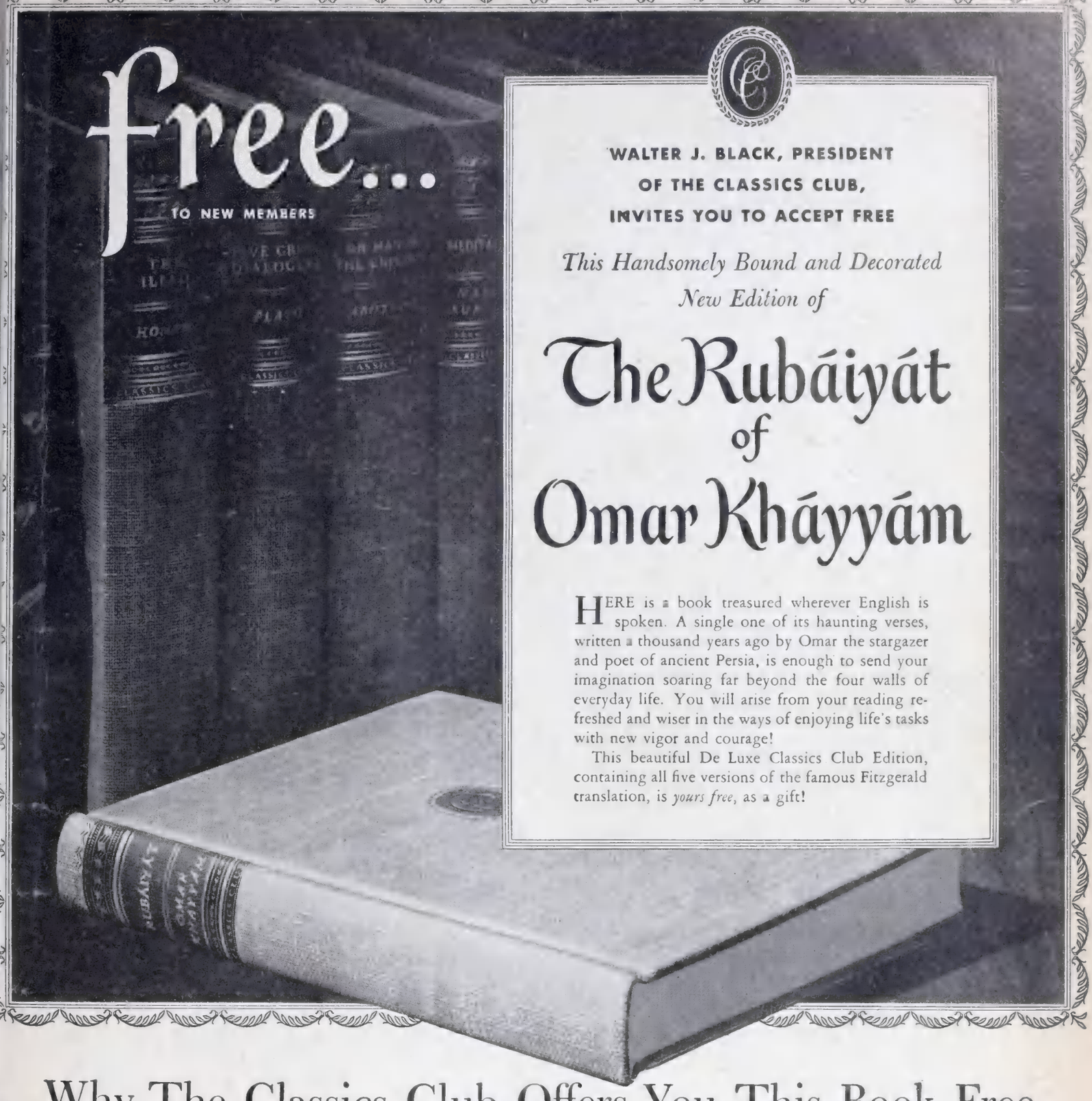
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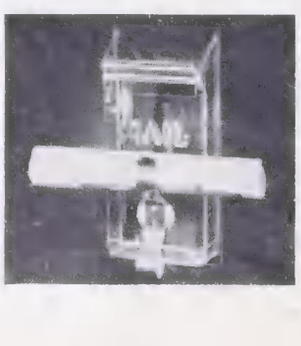
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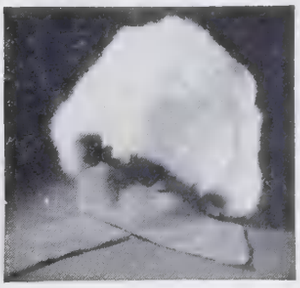
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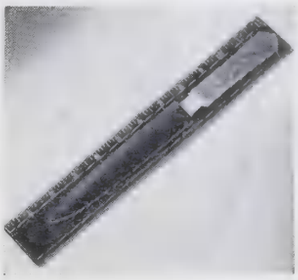
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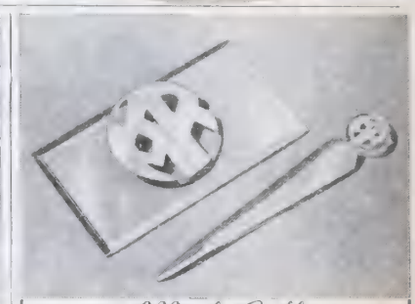


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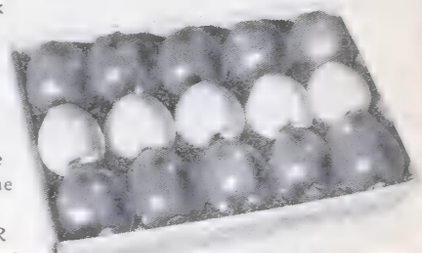
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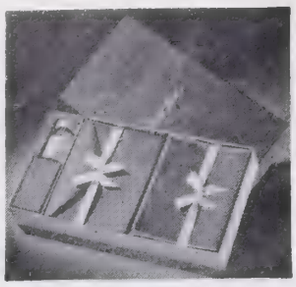
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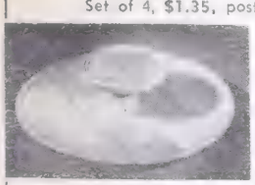
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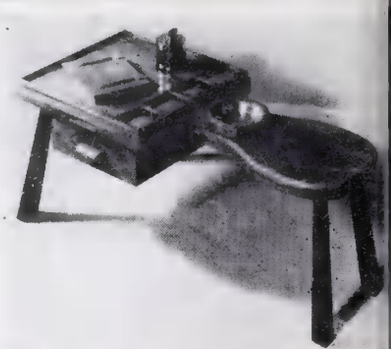
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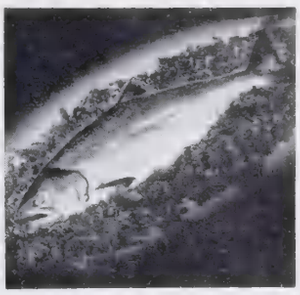
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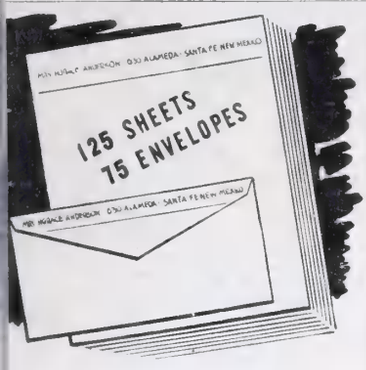
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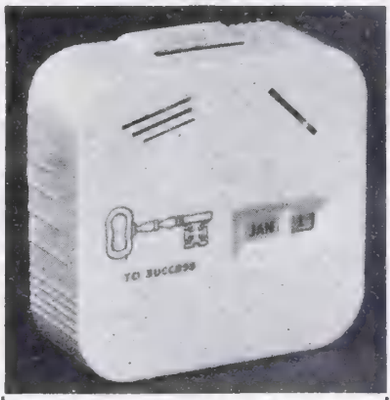


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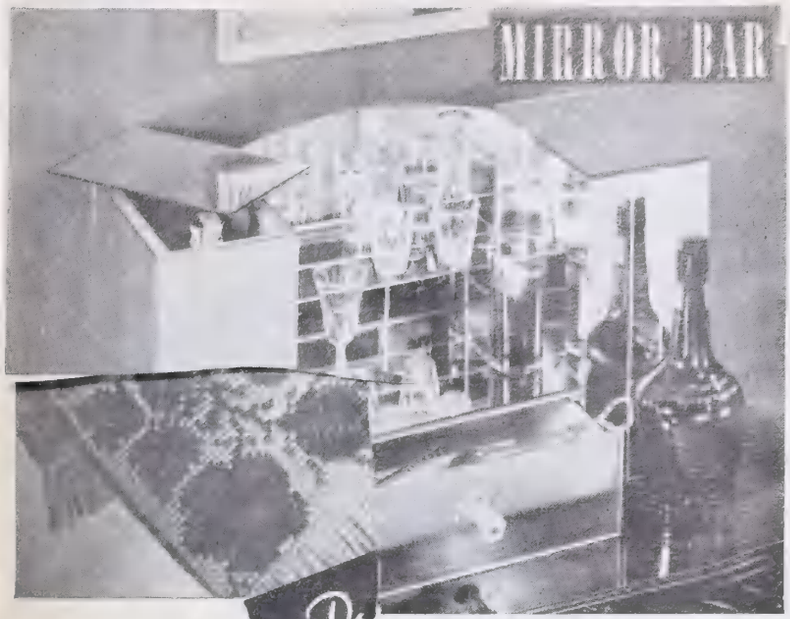
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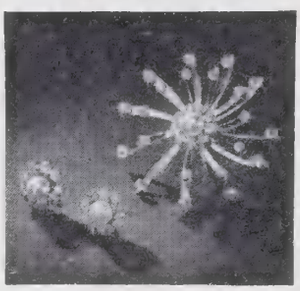
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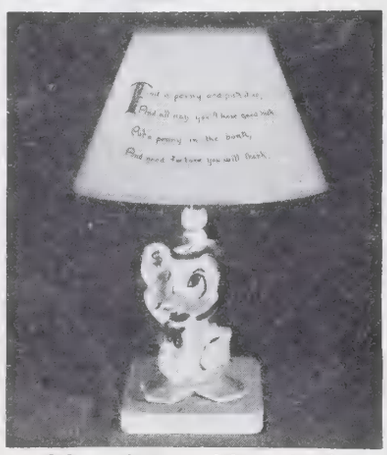


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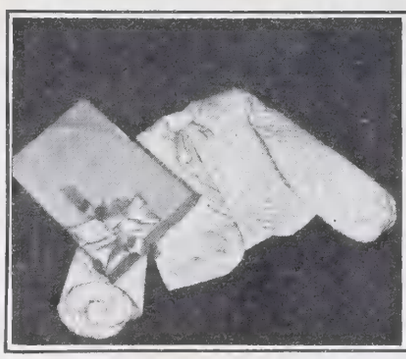
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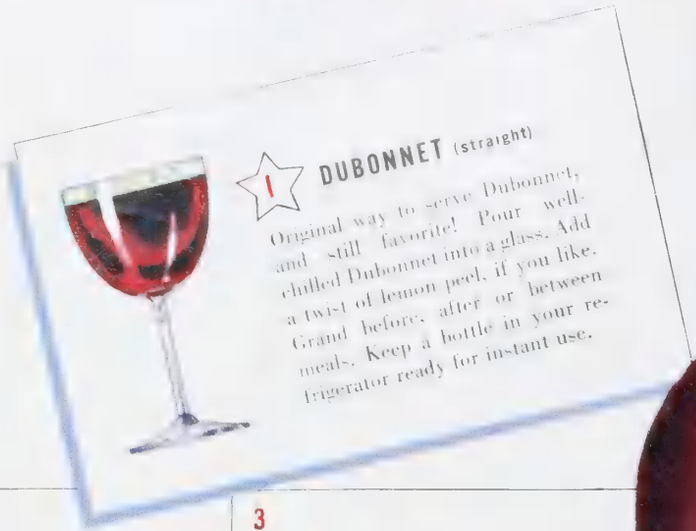




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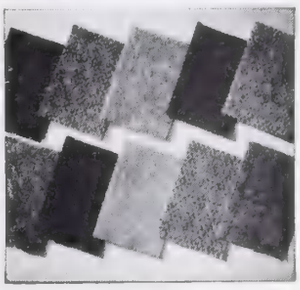
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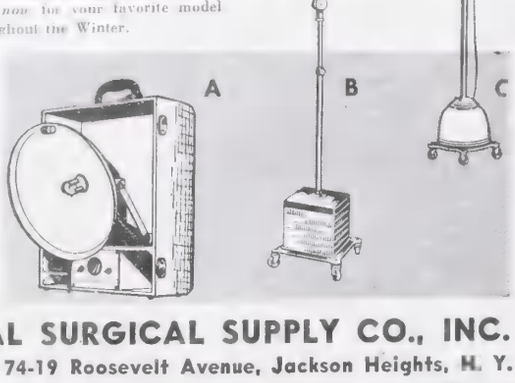
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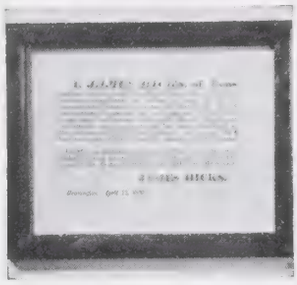
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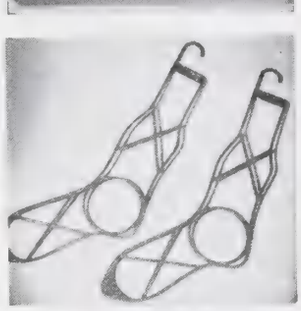
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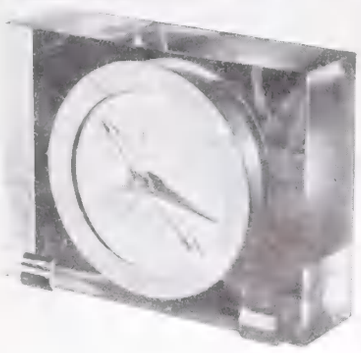
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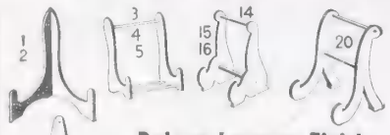


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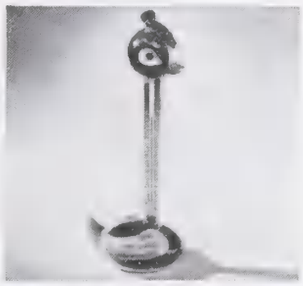
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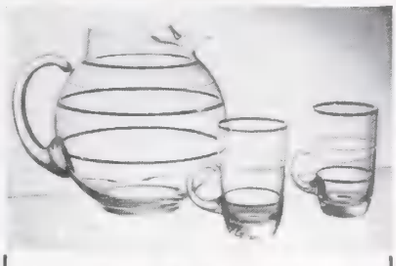
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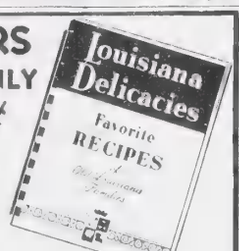
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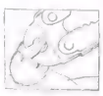


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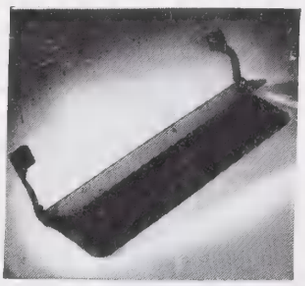


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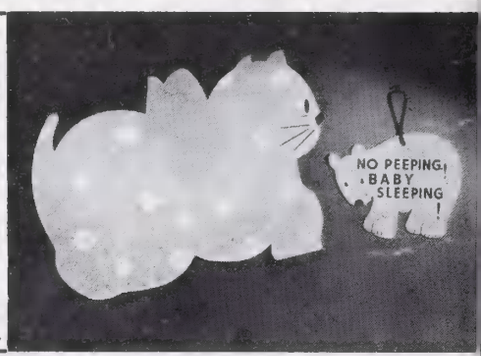


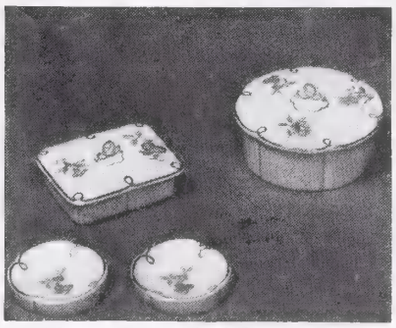
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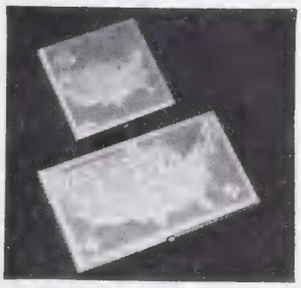
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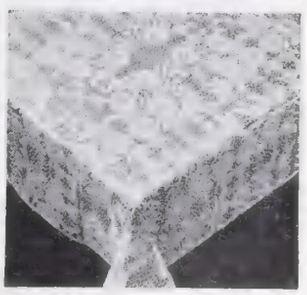
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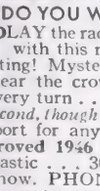


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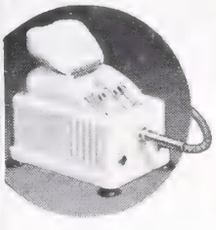


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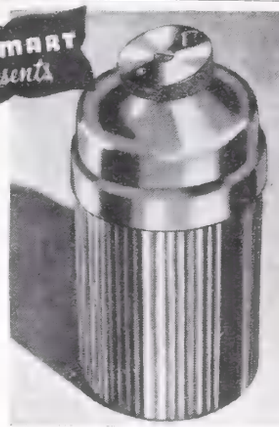
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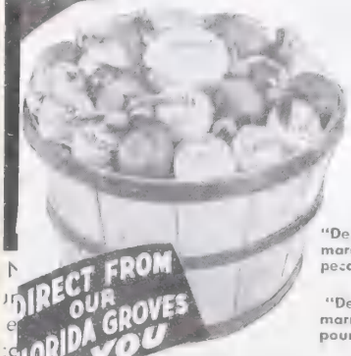
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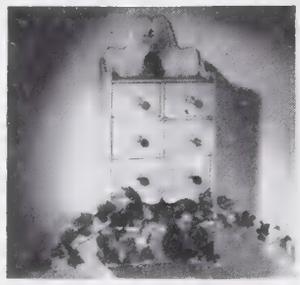
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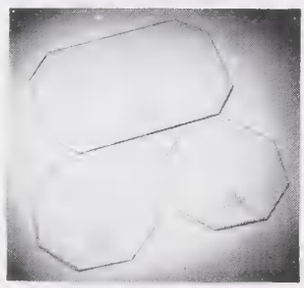
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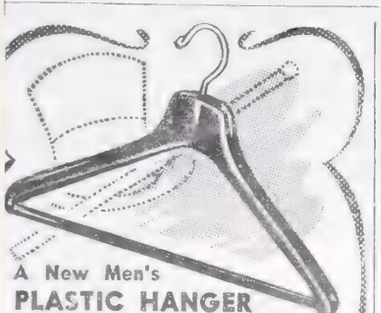


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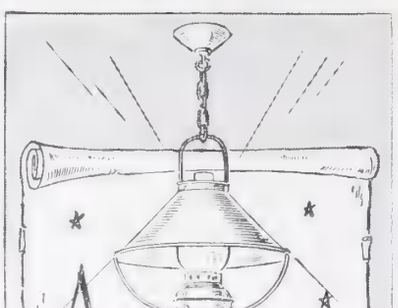
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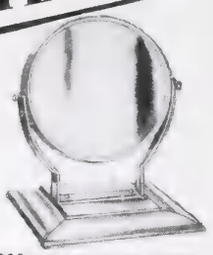
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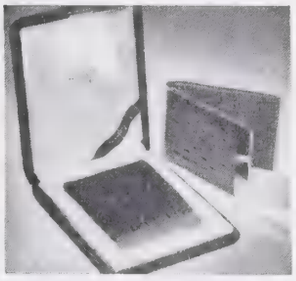
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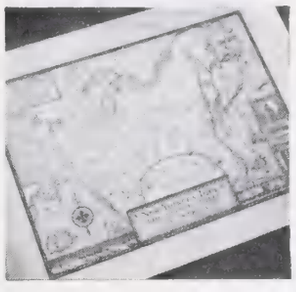
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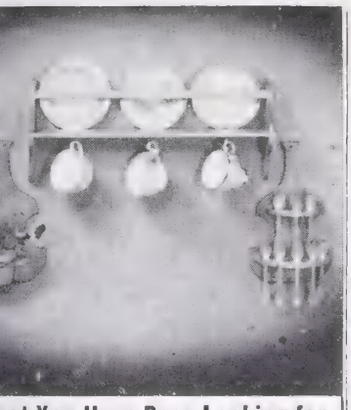


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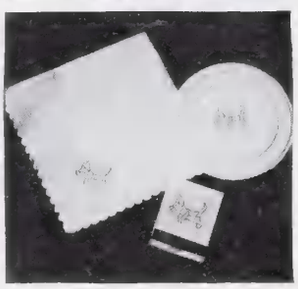
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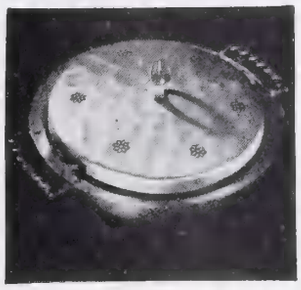
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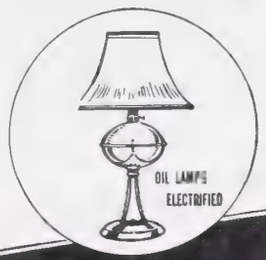
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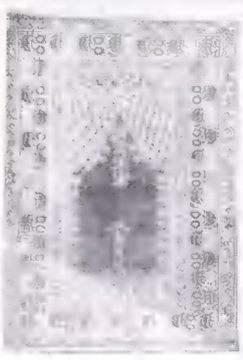
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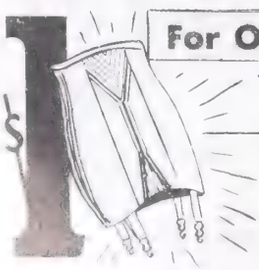
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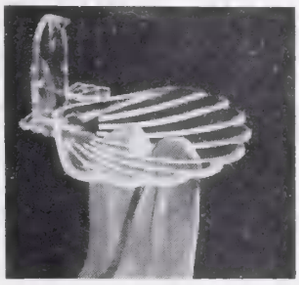
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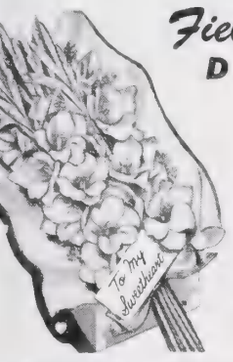
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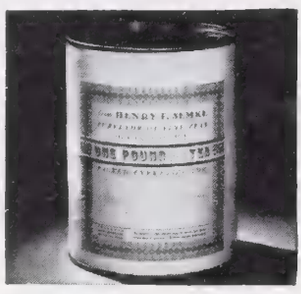
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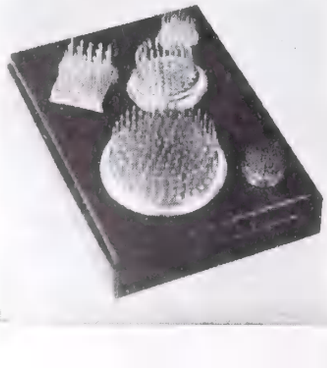
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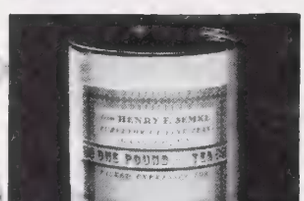
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RADIO PHONOGRAPH

by Marion Gough

Tomorrow never comes

Hoping for a better tomorrow is like wishing on a star. The wish is a little joke you have with yourself because you don't really believe that a beneficent, unknown force is actually going to oblige with the tickets for South America, the mink coat, or whatever you wish for.

You know that life isn't like that, and if your wish comes true, it will be only because you have made it come true, through your own efforts.

So it is with the richer life, the better home, the more rewarding job we all hope to enjoy on some glorious tomorrow. Yet many people are far less rational about these really attainable hopes than they are about their most extravagant star-wishing.

You know these people. Some time, somewhere, when their overdue ship comes in, when they win the Sweepstakes, they'll have the kind of home they want, that farm in the country, that carefree, idyllic existence. Good things are always going to happen to them—tomorrow.

For them no law of cause and effect, the inexorable law that what you have tomorrow depends upon what you do today. And so they spend their discontented lives dreaming of perfection which they never realize. It's as though they lived in a cave and passed their days hoping for a castle when they might better be building a hut.

Today is all any of us can be sure of. Tomorrow is simply an accumulation of todays. Tomorrow never comes. So start living that better life today with the resources available to you now.



What they had to start with

You wouldn't choose this house either, but like most folks these days the Everett Browns had no choice when a new job sent them to crowded Grand Rapids. It was this gabled roof or none at all. So they moved in and proved that even a white elephant can be tamed. Wise renters, they let the outside alone. But the *inside*—well, if you're in the Browns' boat, you'd better read the following pages.

This family didn't wait for tomorrow



● Since this room had no burning hearth, the Browns arranged their "fireplace grouping" around the book-and-record shelves in the time-honored manner. One hassock for four legs adds to the effect of firelit intimacy

By JENNIFER THAYER

Everett Brown is as modern-minded as the Grand Rapids Furniture Guild that brought him to crowded Grand Rapids as their design co-ordinator. The gingerbread horror on the opposite page is as remote from his way of thinking as an antimacassar is from Frank Lloyd Wright's. But like many an uprooted character these days, he recognized a roof over his head when he saw one, however gabled, and took it, heart in mouth, tongue in cheek.

A sense of humor can rescue even as grave a situation as the housing shortage. Realizing this could never be a modern house, no matter what, the Browns decided to play it for the laughs. Instead of crying over their cupola, they laughed in its funny façade.

Wise renters, they left the outside to its own mothy devices and attacked the interior. They painted the poor old thing in colors that shivered its shingles: elephant gray and stark white with exclamation points of good strong reds. They swamped the fuddy-duddy woodwork under blinding white paint. Giddy cherubs swing from the creaking rafters. And with a wary eye on their brand-new moppet, Mrs. B. made sure everything was washable, from the cotton shag rugs to the bright-white terry toweling slipcovers.

They put nothing in the house, except for the wallpaper and the paint job, that cannot go with them when somebody solves the housing problem. The Browns not only proved that you *can* take it with you but that a minimum of cash and a maximum of imagination can turn a white elephant into a giddy lamb of a house.



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1. The elephant-gray walls serve as a dramatic foil for the jeweled-tone fabric picked to needle the creaky old living room. The shag carpeting used throughout the house here is dyed a hot pink to pick up the fire in Goodall's Cape Cod Rose print. The striking pictures above the couch are simply decorator's perspectives of Mr. B's favorite Guild rooms

2. Because the two oversize windows form the most modern corner in the old homestead, the Browns made the most of them. The sun-studded draperies are simply white muslin sheeting outlined in a fine cotton fringe. The distinguished desk was languishing in the attic before it was shouldered downstairs and bleached within an inch of its rugged life

5. The giddy nursery is as spanking-clean as a fresh diaper. Mrs. Brown shrewdly used inexpensive white terry cloth toweling for her slipcovers, and glorified it with a quality fringe. (Two sets for frequent washing-without-ironing.) Notice how the stingy window areas have been given the effect of height by hanging the draperies from the ceiling

6. The teal-blue nursery displays the royal moppet in her shell-pink alcove, frosted with fluted white muslin sheeting. This bouffant background—as lush as a great lady's boudoir—provides an effective showcase that can be washed and starched at the drop of a safety pin. And at a mere fraction of the cost of her christening gown

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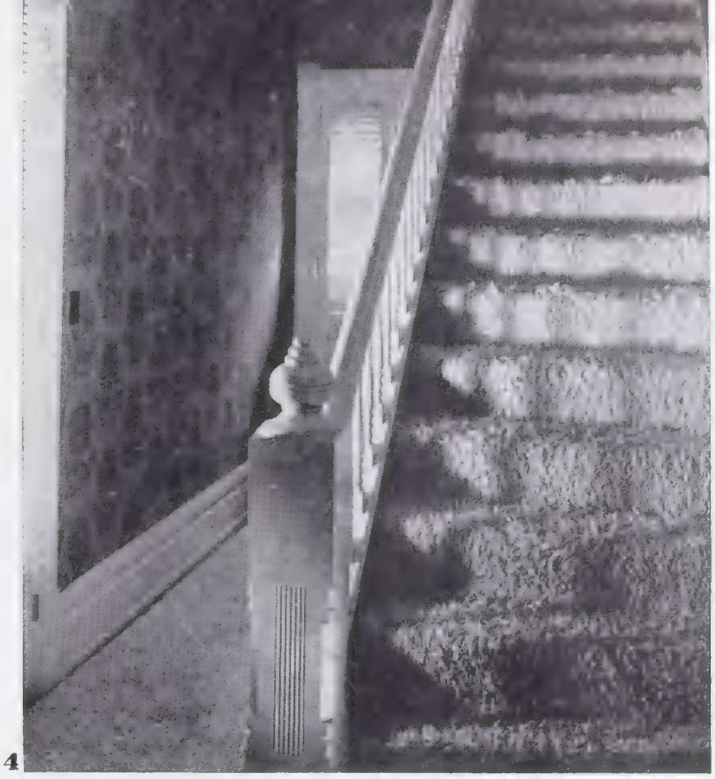


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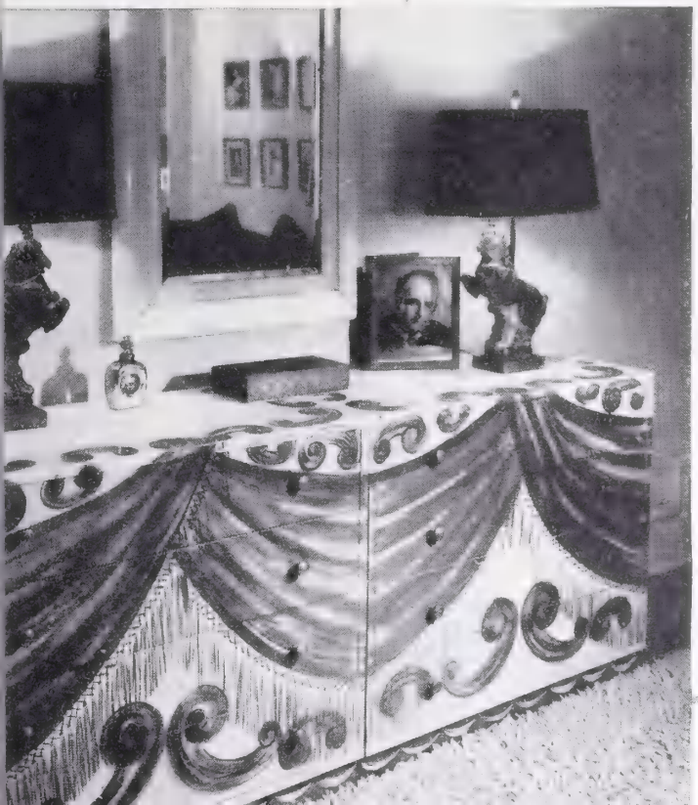


3. This elegant instrument was a beat-up old piano before the Browns gave it a face-lifting with an application of marbelized-gray paper. (They spent an evening experimenting on an orange crate first!) The music corner effect is heightened by the panel of green-and-white striped paper that acts as a focal point for their rejuvenated eyesore



4. The bold use of color makes fun of the fuddy-duddy woodwork. Even the old-fashioned balustrade came to life upon exposure to a coat of blinding white paint and a sheath of cotton shag carpeting. (Washable, too!) In desperation, Mr. Brown tore out the obsolete doors and supplanted them with divided louvered ones flanked by red wall paper

7. The ingenious Browns got themselves an important piece of bedroom furniture at the same time they gave their housewarming. They invested in two unpainted chest of drawers, pushed them together, and invited one of the guests to paint a delirious swag across the front. The battered old bedroom promptly acquired a modern look and needed storage space



This family didn't wait for tomorrow

Are you really living in your own times?

Kitchen Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your refrigerator capacious enough to let you market only twice a week?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Does your stove work for you while you play? (The 1947 range stops and starts by itself via an automatic timer with heat-adjustable burners to insure chef-perfect food.)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you washing dishes when you feel like it, courtesy of your automatic washer? (Simply press the magic button and it washes, rinses, dries while you read Byrnes' speech.)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you an electric garbage gadget under your sink that chews up anything the dog didn't and digests it before you can say "sanitation"? (Sorry, you still have to put out the cat.)

Detergent Division

Does your 1947 cleaning closet hold:

YES ☐ NO ☐ A water-conditioner keyed to your particular water type which frustrates the formation of the cloudy film that used to shroud your glasses?

YES ☐ NO ☐ A liquid or powder soap which you merely wipe gently over the walls (no rinsing necessary) to remove the fingerprints and retain the paint?

YES ☐ NO ☐ A new furniture polish that leaves a filmless sheen while restoring the lustre of your wood?

YES ☐ NO ☐ A floor wax that you can dribble happily on your floor, peel the potatoes while it dries and walk across it to set the table?

YES ☐ NO ☐ A soapless soap for your dishpan that allows you to let the unwashed dishes drain, and find them the next morning as sparkling as though you had spent half the night polishing them?

YES ☐ NO ☐ A silver polish that requires merely a whip-and-rinse to make your grandma blink in the glare?

Laundry Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you doing the family wash in small "takes," whenever you happen to feel in the mood, or whenever it's most convenient? (With an automatic washer you can even douse the family linen when you return from the theatre and go happily off to bed. Left to its own ingenious devices, this gem will wash, rinse, damp-dry, and shut itself off while you sleep.)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you free from the whims of the weather man because you have invested in an automatic clothes dryer?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your complete laundry equipment on the first floor, thus doing away with those heavy hauls down to the basement with soiled clothing, then up again with clean?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Can you sit down at your electric ironer and whip merrily through all your ironing from slacks to ruffled curtains?

Quick-Freeze Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you serving your family their favorite foods, in and out of season, twelve months a year, courtesy of your home freezer? (Quick-freezing means simply that although your grocer thinks raspberries are out of season, you are serving them for dessert throughout the winter from your freezer. N. B.—Minimum capacity of freezer—six cubic feet.)

Solar Heat Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you planning large glass areas for your new house, insulated to keep out cold air but designed to admit the sun at full strength and thus use it to help defray your fuel bills during the cold winter months? (This is a free translation of *Solar Heating*, the modern miracle by which you can use the sun to help heat your house.)

This happy new year rings in the postwar miracles you've waited for. Check your present design-for-living against the 1947 model below. Each "yes" nets you 5 points, and a total below 120 means you are still living in the horseless carriage era



Décor Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you learned to resist collections of "things" that have no function?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you brought the outdoors in via larger windows, bays, French doors, or sliding walls?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you learned what color can do for—and against—a room, and have you the courage to use it boldly?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Do you prefer furniture with less carving and better wood?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you planning to replace your wall brackets with flush ceiling lights that focus on your dining-room table, game table, favorite chair?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you learned how to mix period with Modern, knowing that honesty and function of design mean more than pedigree or price?

YES ☐ NO ☐ If you harbor animals, have you learned to use pet-resistant, treated fabrics on your furniture?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you worked in your hobby or your husband's as part of the decorating scheme?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your house designed to function with a minimum of effort: does it work for you, or do you work for it.

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you the fashion sense to ignore what is acclaimed as this year's color and choose one that does something for your personality?

Clean Air Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you doing anything except complain about the smoke that begrimes your home?
(e.g.: Installing a heating system that uses smokeless fuel: hand-firing your own furnace properly; investing in gadgets to keep smoke out of your house; lobbying for anti-smoke laws.)

Storage Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your storage space as carefully tailored as your living areas, with built-in closets, cupboards, or even furniture sized and shaped to hold your family's specific possessions?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your garage designed to do double duty as a refuge for bulky objects like porch furniture?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your hall closet capacious enough to hold all outer clothing—including that of guests?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you "dead" storage space for seasonal equipment such as luggage, skis, bikes, surf boards?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Has your living room been designed to store card tables, home movie equipment, and records?

Better-Flowers-with-Less-Effort Division

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you treating your seeds with a fungicide that produces twice the germination of untreated seeds?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Do you test your soil before you plant, and use a fertilizer formula to add deficient elements?

YES ☐ NO ☐ At the first distress signal, do you dust your garden with the potent new chemicals that are fatal to insect pests?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you ripening your tomatoes earlier by using one of the new hormone sprays?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Have you discovered the hormone that makes your trees hang on to their fruit until ripe?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Are you using hormones to root your favorite cuttings with a higher degree of success?

YES ☐ NO ☐ Is your lawn handsomely green and weedless through the use of a balanced seed mixture and one of the new weed killers?

Where a Christmas Card designer dreams up Christmas Cards



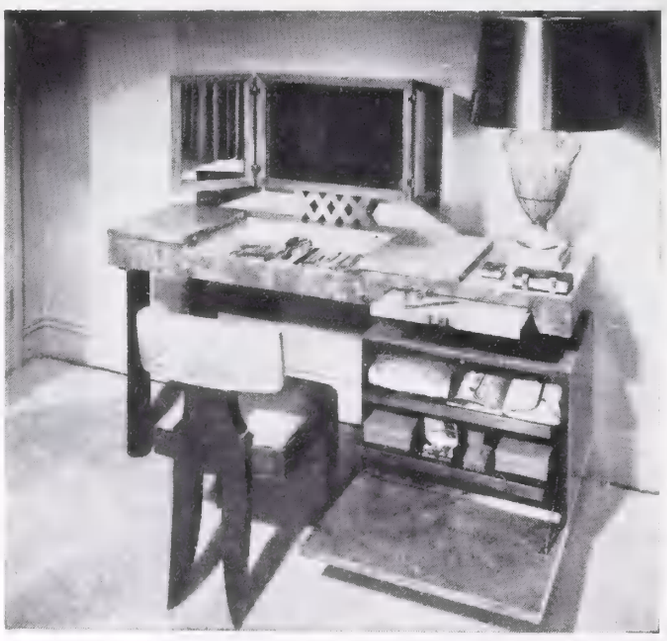
by Laura Tanner

To think of Dorothy Simmons is to see visions of fat-cheeked cherubs, kneeling on clouds, tying flower garlands on baby lambs in a sky full of bright-winged birds, these being the hallmarks of her delectable cards which yearly bring to a clamoring public a Christmas message brimming with young innocence. How natural that in seeking a way of preserving her Christmas angels in more lasting form, she should have enlisted the wizardry of Andrew Szoeke, the master of modern marquetry.

To decorate this unique furniture, which he made especially for her bedroom, he worked with mahogany and myrtle burl and a hundred other exotic woods, selected like precious jewels for their natural, undyed color. and called by such poetic names as maidou burl, vermilion, silver harewood, purple heart. As if by magic, this superlative craftsman captured and fixed in marquetry all the ephemeral delicacy found on the original sketches by Miss Simmons.

Thus one artist's medium perpetuates the inspiration of another, while the eye of the lay beholder disbelieves the beauty it sees, and the hand instinctively searches, though in vain, for the barest part of a millimeter of unevenness to prove its human making. Yet when the impact of this craft perfection subsides, one observes that these are not just things of beauty, but that these are masterfully made. finely engineered pieces of furniture to last and to give service. Finger grooves work drawers faultlessly, doors open and close noiselessly. The triple chest displaces less floor space than that formerly occupied by two ordinary chests, yet storage space is more than doubled. The many-purpose table is an ideal dressing table when the three-fold mirror is opened; and when the top is laid back, a sunken drawer is there to hold toilet accessories. Smoothly sliding pull-out trays dispose neatly of glove cases, and all the innumerable other feminine necessities with which every woman surrounds herself. An extra wooden slide increases table surface. The walls and ceiling of this dream room are, of course, the blue of the sky, the white wool carpet is soft as fleece, and the honeyed tones of myrtle burl are as golden as the curls of all the Christmas-card angels.

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Camellia type



Ruffled type



Ruffled Camellia type



Carnation type



Rosebud type



Carnation type

by Alice L. Duston

GROW YOUR OWN COSTUME JEWELRY

If you would like gorgeous flowers (see opposite) to use all summer in corsages and bowls, grow tuberous-rooted begonias. January is the month to order the tubers

Next summer you can wear flower accessories as exquisite as the jeweled clip now decorating your winter suit. And you can be sure of enjoying this pleasure not once, but every day you choose from June through October, if you plan now to add tuberous-rooted begonias to your garden. You will find that one of these sizable blooms will make a whole corsage, or even a flower arrangement floated on a couple of its own leaves in a crystal bowl. Picked when partially open, the flower will last for more than a week in water, in spite of its fragile appearance.

The nice part about growing the tuberous begonia in your garden is that it takes little equipment. No greenhouse is needed to start it in; a windowsill in a moderately cool room that receives only three or four hours of sunshine will serve well. Years of callouses on your green thumb aren't necessary, either—just gardening common-sense based on the knowledge that the tuberous-rooted begonia's chief likes are: first, partial shade; second, ample moisture (but good drainage); third, a rich diet.

Before ordering any tubers, you'll want to decide how many plants you can accommodate and just what forms and colors you prefer in the flowers. Plant the three double forms for corsage wear, for instance, and you'll fool your friends into thinking you're wearing a camellia out of season, or a carnation or rosebud. Singles offer you a choice of frilled, crested, and several other forms.

Tuberous begonias come in exquisite colors, too, ranging from spotless white through the yellows and pinks, to both bright and deep reds. In fact, you can easily spend a whole evening browsing through descriptions, and still have difficulty deciding just which varieties will best suit your garden and interior color schemes, as well as your wardrobe.

In all likelihood the spot you choose for your tuberous begonias will be one you've neglected for lack of a good planting solution for a shaded spot. Look for places with partial shade, such as that (*Continued on page* 100)

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An example of shade conditions at the base of trees where begonias thrive



Three pieces turn a corner, furnish book and game storage in living room

VARIATIONS ON ONE THEME

Furniture is no longer tagged exclusively for one room only. Flexible pieces, like these sectional cabinets, belong wherever good looks and storage space are needed. Designed by Edward J. Wormley for the Dunbar Furniture Mfg. Co., they stand alone or together, 32″ high, 18″ deep. Finish is mahogany or lacquer. Aluminum legs are detachable



One cabinet as a buffet. Note tray drawers, shelves



One cabinet plus two chests equals dressing table

by Frances Heard

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Handsome catch-all for a one-room apartment: a four-door cabinet



Sliding doors are woven rosewood

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These FOOLISH THINGS..

CHARM BRACELET FROM WALTER LAMPL

by Helen Markel Herrmann

It takes very little talent to celebrate New Year's, or a birthday, or your mother-in-law's anniversary. Anyone can do it—and usually does, whether he wants to or not. Because such occasions are old American customs, observed with about the same enthusiasm and regularity as an annual visit to one's dentist.

But the business of turning minor events into major celebrations takes real talent, imagination laced with love. Everybody has some days that stand out in neon-lighted memory, not because it was an occasion that had to be celebrated, but because it was just another day that suddenly turned into A Day, to be recalled, reloved, taken out and sighed over.

A day to be remembered for no other reason than the fact that it was a private, wonderful, foolish day apparently designed especially for two people.

These, more than the birthday, the anniversary, the gathering-of-the-clan occasions are the days worth celebrating. The special, one-of-a-kind days that belong solely to the two of you. The days that make a happy marriage.

The happiest couple we know learned the value of such days early in their career and have kept jealous track of them, collecting them with the same care they devote to their flat silver or their first editions. Susan—the girl in the case—calls them "days lovely enough to hang on a charm bracelet."

Which is exactly what they did.

It all started a long time ago at Dartmouth Carnival, when they collided coming down the ski slope. For Susan's birthday that year Hank gave her a slim gold chain from which hung a little ski pole inscribed with the date of their collision. That was the beginning of the charm bracelet that records the private landmarks of a happy marriage.

The ski pole was followed by a little dunce cap Hank sent her the afternoon she turned down his first proposal, and the gold star for the night she accepted. A tiny frying pan, complete with egg, commemorates their first breakfast in their new home. There is a dog house to record their first fight, and a gold lamb chop to celebrate Susan's first six months as a cook.

The special milestones outgrew that first bracelet, and a second one appeared, hung with the "Private Property" sign Hank soldered on it the night before he went overseas. There is a (*Continued on page* 134)

by Elizabeth Gordon, Editor

How to

EAT LIKE A KING

-all Winter

In all of us there is the desire to be able to clap our hands, like the kings in the fairy tales, and have whatever our heart desires.

To be able to eat whatever you crave fresh-from-the-vine at any time of the year, regardless of whether it is out of season, or in season, has long been classed in the fairy-tale division of life. Though canning brought us a step closer to the dream, it left us far away from the ideal of freshness. For who can dare to say that even the best canned peas are at all like fresh peas! Or that canned blueberries resemble, even distantly, the bursting succulence of the fresh berry!

But in the last few years the new science of quick freezing has vastly improved our opportunities for eating like kings. Home frozen foods bring to the absolute peak of perfection the garden products which we crave the most. They far surpass commercially packed and frozen fruits and vegetables. For commercial packers are not as particular about catching the freshness at that precise moment of maturity when flavor is at its peak. For eye appeal (rather than flavor) and shipping durability have always been the criterion by which vegetables and fruits have been grown for commercial distribution—regardless of whether they are to be sold fresh or canned. And eye appeal and superior flavor are definitely not synonymous.

Many thousands of people who have tried commercially frozen fruits and vegetables are vehement in saying they do not consider them better than canned—or the equal of fresh. Having never eaten home-frozen fruits and vegetables, they condemn the whole science of freezing, rather than the mis-use of the science.

I would not be one to disagree with them. For my family finds home-frozen vegetables and fruits so vastly superior to commercially frozen foods that they cannot really be compared. And besides, home freezing of our food lets us indulge our preferences for things not even available in commercial packs—rare things such as bronze cauliflower, shell beans, mustard greens, tiny corn kernels, things that can't be bought commercially even when they *are* in season.

We grow ourselves some of the things we freeze. And we buy from farmers and truck gardeners other things that we do not have the space to grow. We freeze enough vegetables to carry us all through the winter and nearly to the next harvest time of any given vegetable. To store this much we have six lockers and two home freezers. And the result is that we eat like kings.

If you do any gardening, successful freezing actually starts on a mid-winter night with the seed catalog planted firmly before you. The varieties of vegetables, fruits, and berries which you plant will affect your pleasure as much as your promptness in handling the matured product, your method of preparing them, and the way you pack.

Some varieties produce a frozen product that is almost flavor*less;* other varieties may not produce good texture or color. There are other varieties which freeze almost perfectly, retaining very nearly all the desirable fresh characteristics. HOUSE BEAUTIFUL asked two experts on freezing, Dr. Donald K. Tressler and Lucy Long, to prepare a guide of successful varieties for gardeners who want to eat well all winter. The exceptionally fine vegetable varieties-for-freezing are charted in the next two pages, and fruits will be charted in an early issue.

Closely allied with the results obtained from freezing the best varieties of each fruit or vegetable are the comments made below from observing the frozen product and comparing it with the fresh. Such an evaluation as is given under "Rating of Product When Frozen" will help you with the selection of those fruits and vegetables that you may wish to freeze.

Since maturity at which the fruit or vegetable is harvested is of no less importance (*Continued on page* 111)

Mid-Winter Planning for Summer Freezing

Do you know what vegetable varieties perform best in the home freezer?
Check this list with the new catalogues and you'll eat well next winter

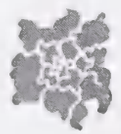
By Donald K. Tressler and Lucy Long

Product	Rating of Product When Frozen	Especially Desirable	Desirable	Satisfactory	Indications of Best Maturity for Freezing
ARTICHOKES, GLOBE	Provides variety in diet and freezer contents				Harvest as soon as fully grown.
ASPARAGUS	One of the best frozen vegetables.	Mary Washington Martha Washington	Palmetto	Keystonian	Harvest within 48 hours after spears appear above ground. Tips should be brittle. Leaves should be tight against stalk.
BEANS, GREEN SHELL	The frozen product equivalent to the fresh. Especially desirable in the south where this vegetable is a favorite.	French Horticultural Lowe's Champion	Lowe's Champion (Bush)		Allow beans to reach full size but harvest before pods become brittle.
BEANS, GREEN SNAP	Varieties listed as Especially Desirable give a product almost as good as the freshly harvested vegetable. Other varieties are definitely inferior.	Bountiful (Bush) Tendergreen (Bush) Kentucky Wonder (Pole) Blue Lake (Pole)	Idaho Refugee (Bush) Giant Stringless Green Pod (Bush)	Commodore (Bush)	Do not allow beans to attain full length but harvest them before seeds become prominent. Pods must be brittle when broken and not stringy. For freezing small whole beans harvest when only 3 to 4 inches in length; for Frenching, harvest more mature than for cut beans as described above.
BEANS, LIMA	If properly handled are equivalent to the fresh product.	Fordhook (Bush) Cangreen (Bush)	Burpees (Bush) Baby Potato (Bush) Clark's (Bush) King of Garden (Pole)	Challenger (Pole) Giant Podded (Pole) Henderson (Bush)	Beans should be nearly full size, but pods should not be flexible. Pods of good maturity will be a bright green jade color with a "whitish" cast; beans will be green.
BEANS, SOY	This product is excellent when frozen and may even be classified as superior to the fresh product. May be used for succotash instead of limas.	Giant Green Willomi Bansei	Hokkaido		Harvest when beans are full size but before pods turn brown.
BEANS, WAX	Lacking in flavor and consequently inferior to green snap beans for freezing.	Round Pod Kidney			Same characteristics as for green snap beans.
BEETS	If prepared from small tender beets, this product is especially desirable.	Detroit Dark Red	Crosby	Other varieties (but may be inferior in color)	Harvest while still growing rapidly, before beets reach full size. For freezing small whole beets, do not allow them to grow larger than 1 to 1½ inches in diameter.
BEET GREENS	Flavor excellent, but product is inclined to be stringy.		Any variety		Pull when roots are about the size of hickory nuts, and do not allow greens to wilt before freezing.
BROCCOLI	One of the best of the frozen vegetables.	Italian Green Sprouting (or Calabrese)	Other varieties		First main head that appears is best. Harvest while head is still tight, stalks are brittle and will snap when broken. Fast growing best; slow growing (August) may be woody.
BRUSSELS SPROUTS	Desirable, but not one of the best frozen vegetables.		Half Dwarf Improved Long Island Improved		Firm compact heads best.
CABBAGE	Freezing wilts cabbage, therefore product suitable only for cooking.			Savoy Copenhagen Danish Ballhead Any autumn variety	Heads should be fully mature and solid; as free as possible from infestation.
CARROTS	Freezing preservation is superior to cellar storage or canning for this vegetable.	Nantes Coreless Amsterdam Coreless	Red Cored Chantenay	Other coreless varieties	Carrots are best while still growing and harvested before they reach full size. For freezing small whole carrots, they should be only 3 to 4 inches long, thin, slender ones are best.
CAULIFLOWER	Freezes well, but frozen product is somewhat inferior to the fresh.	Forbes, Snowball White Mountain Perfection	Erfurt		Harvest while heads are still snow-white and before flowerettes become loose and separated.
CORN, WHITE	White sweet corn is satisfactory for whole kernel or cream style corn, but not suitable as corn on the cob.			Country Gentleman Crosby Hybrid (E-45-2) Red Green	Milk should be thin and not starchy.

CORN, YELLOW	Whole kernel corn of best varieties listed is equivalent to the fresh product. Corn on the cob is somewhat inferior.	Golden Cross Bantam 8-Row Golden Bantam Kingcrost Golden Bantam	Ioana, Purgold 14-Row Golden Bantam Seneca Golden Maine Bantam Lincoln, Indigold Aristogold	All other varieties at optimum maturity satisfactory as whole kernel or cream style.	Select ears when they have reached full size but when milk is still thin and not starchy. Ear should fill husk tightly and husk should still be bright green. Edges of leaves on husk turn grey or brown on over-mature ears. For corn on the cob, ears must be slightly immature with kernels not quite full size. For whole kernel corn, they should be fully developed.
KALE	Frozen product inclined to be stringy.			Tall Curled Scotch Dwarf Curled Scotch	Harvest while still growing rapidly before leaves become tough.
KOHLRABI	Frozen product has excellent flavor and texture.	Early White Vienna			Harvest while still growing rapidly before fibers develop.
MUSTARD GREENS	Retains flavor and color well. Slight pungency liked by many persons.		Florida Broadleaf Southern Giant Curled Fordhook		Harvest while still growing rapidly before leaves become fibrous.
NEW ZEALAND SPINACH	Product likely to be tough and stringy.				Harvest while still growing rapidly before leaves become large and are no longer tender.
OKRA	Freezes well retaining flavor almost perfectly.		Green Velvet Perkins Long Pod Clemson Spineless		Harvest before pods reach full size, while they are still brittle.
PEAS	One of the best frozen vegetables. Bright green color particularly attractive, quality largely dependent on variety and maturity.	Thomas Laxton Dark Podded Thomas Laxton	Teton Shasta President Wilson Alderman (Telephone) Dwarf Alderman Glacier Improved Gradus World's Record	Gradus Laxton's Progress Morse's Market Stratagem Hundredfold Stridealong Little Marvel Onward	Watch maturity very closely and do not allow pods to attain full size, but harvest when peas are sweet and tender. Pods should be bright green and brittle; they should pop when opened.
PEAS, BLACK-EYED	Desired principally in southern states. Frozen product has good flavor and texture.		Grand Ramshorn Bluegoose, Crowder		Pods should still be brittle, but should not be harvested until well filled.
POTATOES, SWEET	Flavor is retained well in the mashed or puréed product. Color may darken if product is not treated with citric acid.		Porto Rico Nancy Hall		Cured potatoes best for freezing immediately after curing.
PUMPKIN	Puréed product makes pies equivalent to that produced from fresh pumpkin.	All pie varieties			When fully mature, the skin of pumpkins should be so hard the thumbnail cannot pierce it.
RHUBARB	Frozen rhubarb makes sauce and pies of excellent flavor and color.	Ruby Macdonald	Linnaeus Victoria	All other varieties	Best for freezing in early spring when stalks are brittle and not stringy.
RUTABAGAS	Frozen product retains flavor and texture better than those in cool storage.		Long Island Improved American Purple Top Sweet German	All other varieties	The freshly-harvested, slightly immature rutabagas are superior to the fully mature vegetable or that which has been stored.
SPINACH	This product is equivalent to fresh in flavor; color is even brighter green than the fresh.	Nobel Hollandia King of Denmark Viking Virginia Savoy (Fall Spinach)	Old Dominion Princess Juliana Prickly Winter Viroflay Broad Flanders Long Standing Bloomsdale	All other varieties	Rapidly growing spinach is best, but before it begins to flower.
SQUASH, WINTER	Frozen product is equivalent to fresh in quality.	Golden Delicious Golden Hubbard	Green Hubbard Warted Hubbard	All other varieties	Fully mature winter squash with hard rind are only ones satisfactory.
SWISS CHARD	At proper maturity makes an excellent frozen green.	Lucullus, Ruby Fordhook Rhubarb		All other varieties	First cuttings in spring are much superior to those grown in summer and autumn. Young, tender leaves are best.
TOMATOES	Because of high moisture content and other characteristics, freezing completely changes texture of tomatoes. Frozen product is not superior to canned product.				Well colored, fully mature fruit should be used.
TURNIPS	Frozen product is superior to the cellar stored vegetable.		Purple Top Strapleaf White Globe Purple Top White Globe		Turnips are best if harvested before they reach full maturity.
TURNIP GREENS	Are desired principally in southern states. Frozen product somewhat stringy.		Varieties grown specially for greens.		Harvest while still growing rapidly.












What does your food say about you?

by Florence Paine Rollins

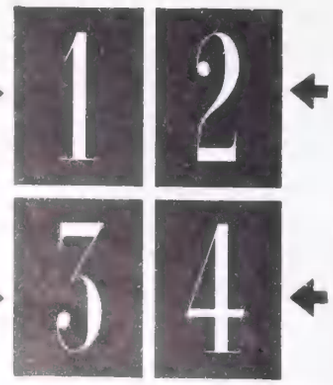
THE food you serve is as revealing of the kind of person you are as the clothes you wear. It is an index to the extent of your imagination, your sense of color, balance, and texture. We were once guests at a dinner party where the hostess served creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, and creamed cauliflower on a white plate. Everything was perfectly seasoned, and yet it all tasted the same. The latter part of the evening bore out our suspicions that our hostess was a dull, placid, and unimaginative person.

If you would make your meals more than fuel-stoking occasions, you will want to pay as much attention to *how* you serve your food as *what* you serve. There are any number of little things you can do to make meals more enjoyable, less hackneyed, that depend more on psychology than special ingredients.

Look on each platter, bowl, or dish you serve as a still life you're creating. Make the picture as balanced and colorful as you can. You have all sorts of accessories to help you—all the beautiful china, linens, glassware, silver that you've been collecting for years. Why not take advantage of what they can do to make your meals look more exciting, instead of using the same old familiar things day after day?

Besides these accessories right under your nose, you can develop a line of surface props that will give color to your food—simple little things like paprika, green pepper, pimiento, cheese, watercress, eggs, tomatoes, spiced fruits, preserves, relishes, to mention but a few of the hundreds of color touches at your disposal. They'll do for unadorned food, what a clever jeweled pin does for a plain dress. They lend character and interest.

You can give the same old food more interest, too, by serving it in more exciting settings. A good, substantial stew may not bring forth any oh's and ah's if doled out on just any old platter. But put it into individual casseroles, top each with a crunchy biscuit crust or a golden swirl of fluffy mashed potatoes, and the result looks like something a French chef had a part in contriving. Commonplace canned (*Continued on page* 106)



● House Beautiful's Decoration Editor, Laura Tanner, arranged these table settings to prove that every meal can be a work of art. Sometimes it's a matter of letting your accessories inspire the menu. Here, a beautifully patterned soup bowl dictated the choice of a clear soup to reveal the pattern

● What could be less colorful than filet of sole marguery? But when the white fish in white sauce is served in a setting of bold colors and strong textures, its lack of color becomes a striking contrast. The accessories—plaid, copper, straw, and wood—share a feeling of ruggedness, are good mates

● It would be carrying things to a ridiculous extreme to insist that all your food harmonize perfectly with your tableware. But planning your menu around one important food item suggested by your china is knowing setting. The color of the china suggested the baked ham as the

● How much more sensible it is to use your choice china to bring new interest to the dinner table than to let it moulder on display shelves! This antique dessert set came down from the shelf to turn a commonplace dessert into something special. See page 110 for shopping information about accessories











Mr. and Mrs. Everett Michaels' house, at Highland Park, Ill., isn't built long and low just to *look* like a ranch house. The architect, James Eppenstein, spread out the house in 3 wings to get best exposures, create good outdoor living areas, make living space of the entire lot. That's true ranch-house planning, in our climate.

Both the front and kitchen doors are on this side of the house with access to the street. Note how well the long porch allows the two to be combined with dignity. It also connects garage and house under cover. Most of this street side of the house is service quarters. Main rooms face southwest, overlook rear outdoor living areas.

In cold weather climates, window walls like this (right), linking house and gardens closely, help to do what the many doorways in a western ranch house do—add the outdoors to your living space. Note how this window increases spaciousness of room. See similar living room window on page 64. Front door is unostentatious.

RANCH HOUSES SUIT ANY CLIMATE

The ranch house indoor-outdoor way of living needn't be limited to the West. Since it is more a method of planning house and site together skillfully than a matter of warm climate, it can fit cold climates, too, as this and following houses show

by Will Mehlhorn

Though ranch houses and outdoor living are as much a team as bread and butter, they don't require a perpetually pleasant climate. They abound in the West which has wind, rain, and hot sun. And they adapt to sections with severe cold and snow. For the exciting thing about ranch-house planning is that it offers a *way* to have outdoor living anywhere by meeting weather conditions and gaining advantage over them. In doing so it creates a more spacious home and way of living.

What it does is to spread out the house in a way that snares all seasonal benefits from sun and winds. That gives good exposures for indoor rooms. It also creates good spots for outdoor rooms in ells protected by house and other walls. Porches, covered for rain, glazed against cold, are incorporated, too. And with zone heating or radiant heating available, there's no reason why ranch houses can't suit cold climates.

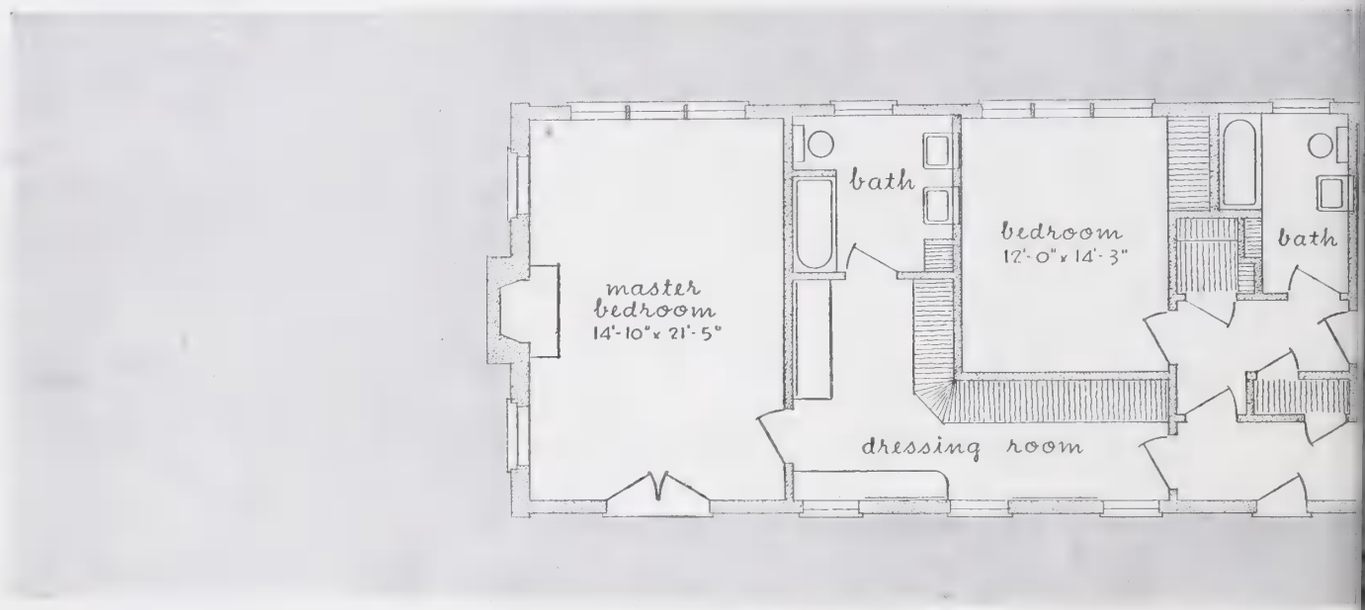




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HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S *Home Planner's Study Course*

Thanks to its good plan EVERY SIDE of this ranch house is a GOOD SIDE



● Much as a doctor's x-rays show conditions you can't see, a floor plan reveals actual workings of a house. It permits you to diagnose how good a house is, not only how good looking it is. This is the plan of the house just preceding.

● Much of the better living of the ranch house kind of plan is due to the privacy it gives. The bedrooms are in the wing on this page. Service wing veers out nearest the street. Living-entertaining wing is center, handy to each of others. Each wing enjoys its own privacy.

● This spread-out plan also gives most rooms two or three exposures for year-round sun and air. The angles of the wings form three outdoor areas (two completely private) to meet need for sun or shelter.

● There's ventilation from three sides in master bedroom. Double doors lead to outdoor living terrace along southwest sides of house. Sixteen feet of furniture wall space on one wall. Telephone wiring built in with plug-in jacks in all rooms.

● Two washstands, towel closet in master bath. Dressing room has 8½ foot long dressing table, 7 feet of built-in drawers, 20 foot long closet just deep enough to hang clothes.

● Child's room and bath are well secluded from household activities by small hall. It connects with guest room which also serves as library. Note wide window in both rooms.

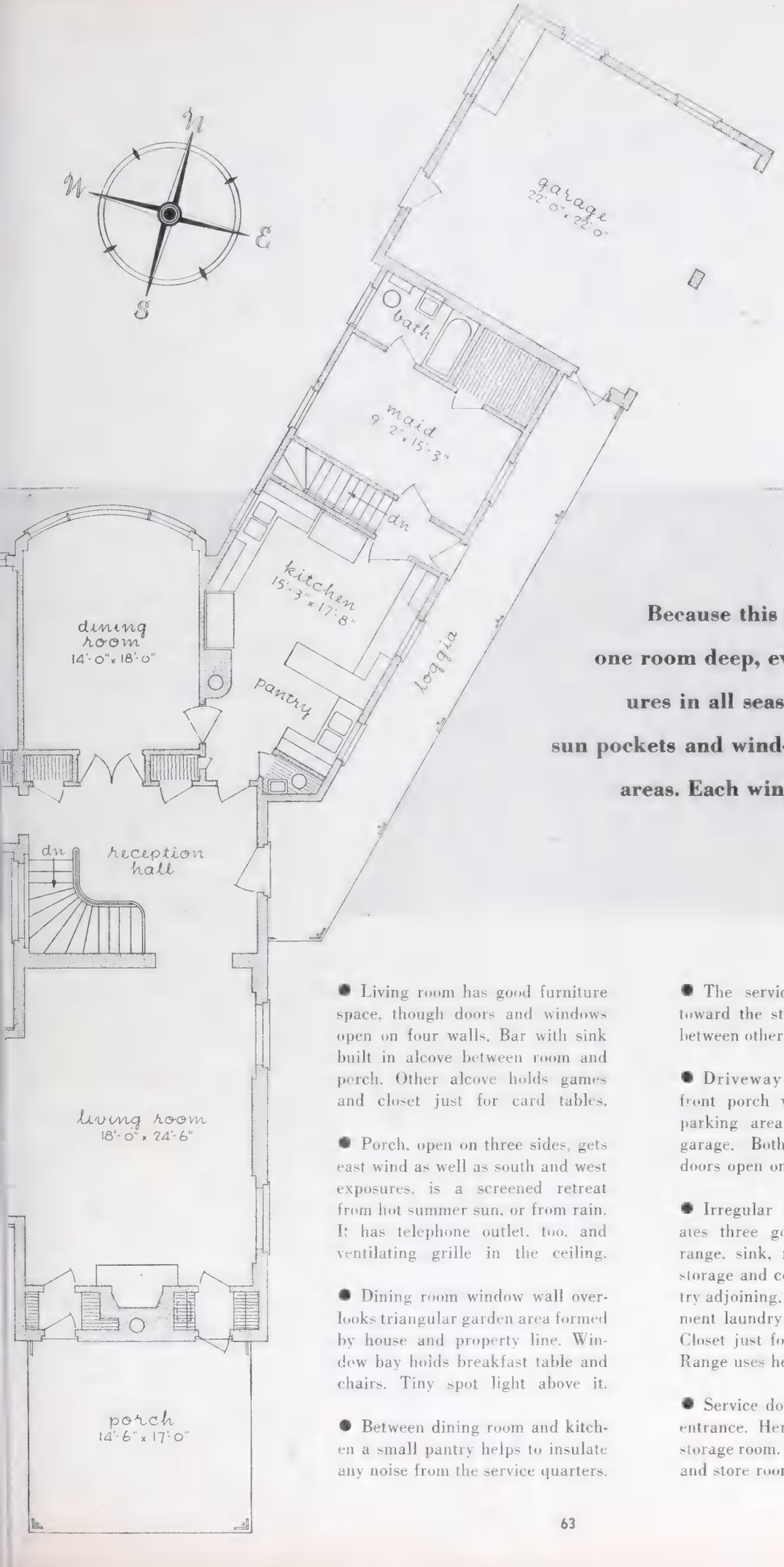
● Hall has closet with access from two sides and built-in drawers. Its floor is sound-deadening cork tile.

● Hall door opens on southwest terrace for easy access outdoors from bedrooms and reception hall. Hall window gives through ventilation.

● Entrance hall is pivot of three wings. All rooms but bedrooms are immediately accessible from here. Stair leads down to recreation room under living room. Wide, ceiling-height window over stair brings in the sun on this southwest corner. Note guest *and* family coat closets.

● Living room, with cross ventilation from three sides, is independent wing free of any house traffic.

● Floor-to-ceiling window takes up most of west wall of living room and makes living room and terrace outside seem one big room. Inside and outside pictures are on page 64.



Because this plan spreads out in wings one room deep, every wing has good exposures in all seasons. And the wings create sun pockets and wind-breaks for outdoor living areas. Each wing has privacy from others

● Living room has good furniture space, though doors and windows open on four walls. Bar with sink built in alcove between room and porch. Other alcove holds games and closet just for card tables.

● Porch, open on three sides, gets east wind as well as south and west exposures, is a screened retreat from hot summer sun, or from rain. It has telephone outlet, too, and ventilating grille in the ceiling.

● Dining room window wall overlooks triangular garden area formed by house and property line. Window bay holds breakfast table and chairs. Tiny spot light above it.

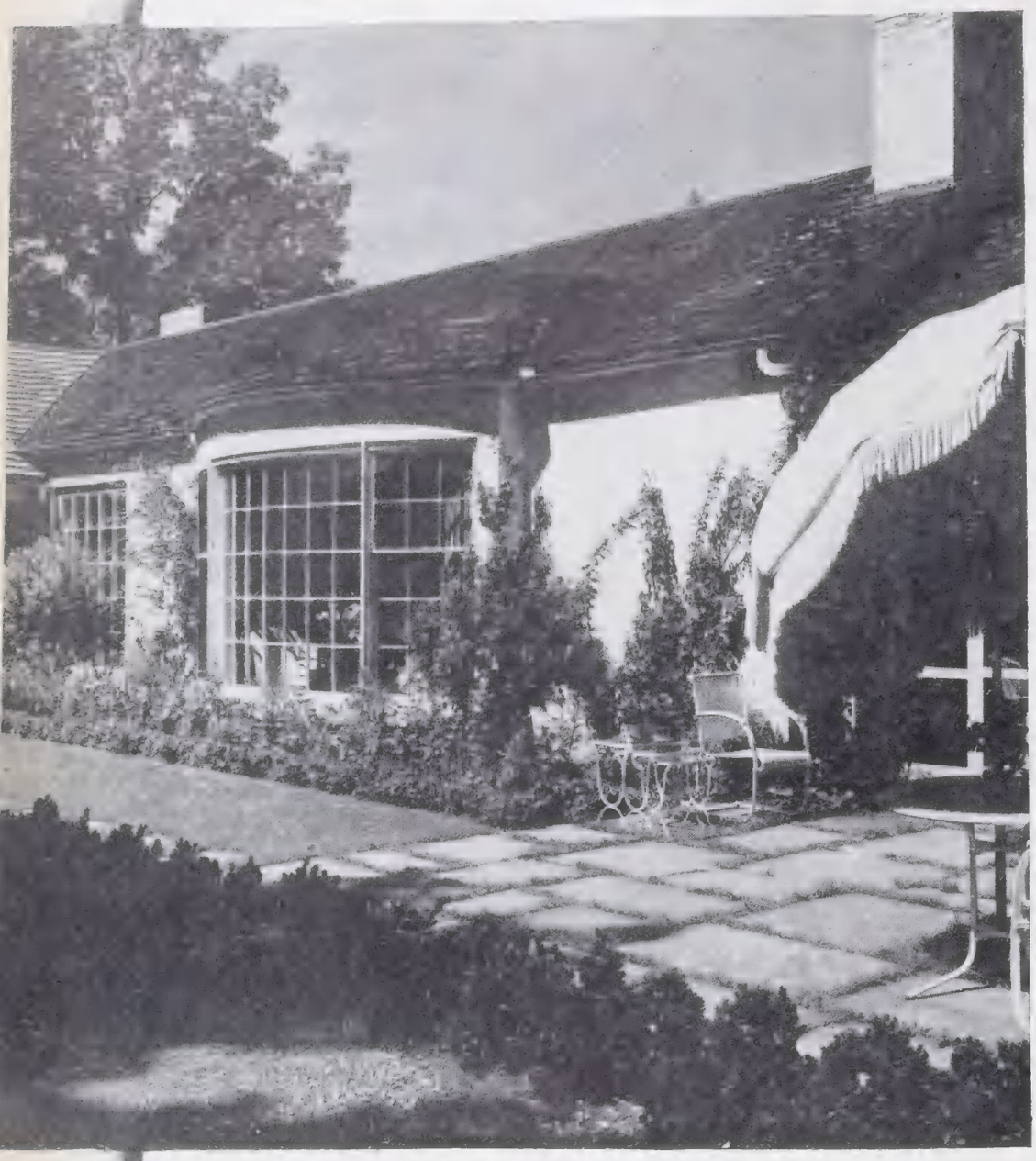
● Between dining room and kitchen a small pantry helps to insulate any noise from the service quarters.

● The service wing extends out toward the street, acts as a buffer between other wings and cold north.

● Driveway curving up along front porch widens into generous parking area in front of double garage. Both front and service doors open on the porch and drive.

● Irregular shaped kitchen creates three good working areas—range, sink, refrigerator at back; storage and counters at front; pantry adjoining. Clothes chute to basement laundry in one pantry closet. Closet just for dining table leaves. Range uses heater chimney as vent.

● Service door gives maid private entrance. Her room has bath and storage room. Basement holds boiler and store rooms as well as laundry.



Here's how to have the easy relation with outdoors the western ranch-house dweller knows—in a climate like Illinois. Oversize windows connect house to this southwest court, while bedroom and hall doors in one wing, porch in another, open directly on it.

This outdoor living area in the southwest corner of the house is formed by angle of well-oriented bedroom and living room wings. Shielded from north, it traps sun so the owners can use it with comfort on sunny winter days, as well as during other times of the year.

For hot summer weather, the porch is additional outside area open on three sides to through winds. Paved terrace, screened by porch, gets ventilation, too. All of this southwest outdoor area is turned to ravine view; privacy from street permits big windows.

You need not be actually outdoors to enjoy outdoors. Well-oriented windows like this give visual enjoyment through winter, too. Not just a "picture" window framing one view, its floor-to-ceiling height makes living room and garden seem one living space.

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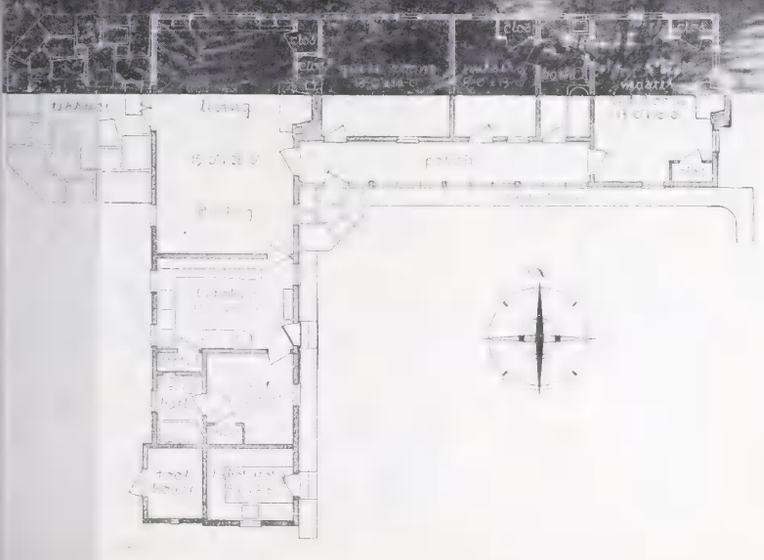
RANCH HOUSES SUIT ANY CLIMATE

CONNECTICUT IS "RANCH-HOUSE" COUNTRY, TOO

This house appreciates its New England setting enough to enjoy it. All rooms have two or three exposures. Doors in all but one room open directly upon a south-side yard that serves as outdoor living space, just as western patios do



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All on one level and geared to the outdoors, this house has a spacious effect the traditional Connecticut "Salt Box" couldn't have. In the 1700's there were no modern heating systems, and rooms *had to* cramp around chimney.

The porch serves as hall between living room and bedrooms but presents no problem in privacy. In country, at Norfolk, Conn., it is not exposed to road or neighbors. Porch is enclosed in winter. North terrace for hot weather.





Van Evera Bailey, architect, proves that ranch house planning suits the Northwest, too. Almost continuous glass opens up the south side of Mr. and Mrs. James I. Hessler's Portland, Ore., home to the sweeping rear terrace. Right: Roof extends to form sheltering porch.

The plan isolates kitchen and service activities in their own wing, apart from the rest of the house but handy enough to it. Large living dining room, master bedroom suite, kitchen get choice exposure across back of the house. Bedrooms also have their own secluded wing.

North side porch (left) helps to shelter the front entrance. The front door itself has modern equivalent of old side lights—fluted opaque glass which admits light but retains privacy. As picture shows, they swing wide open to give living room cross circulation of air.

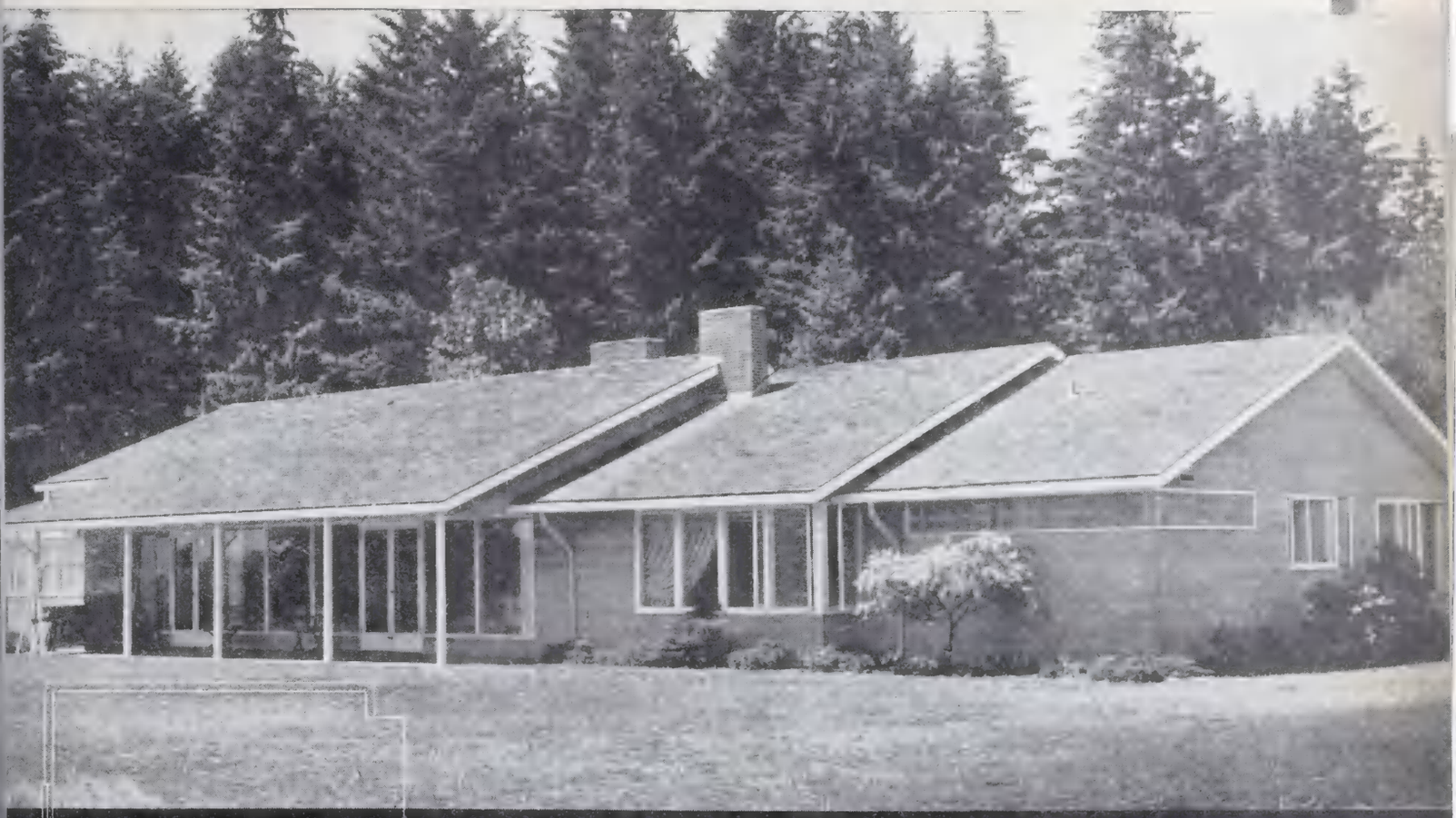
More a Way of Living than a Style of Architecture

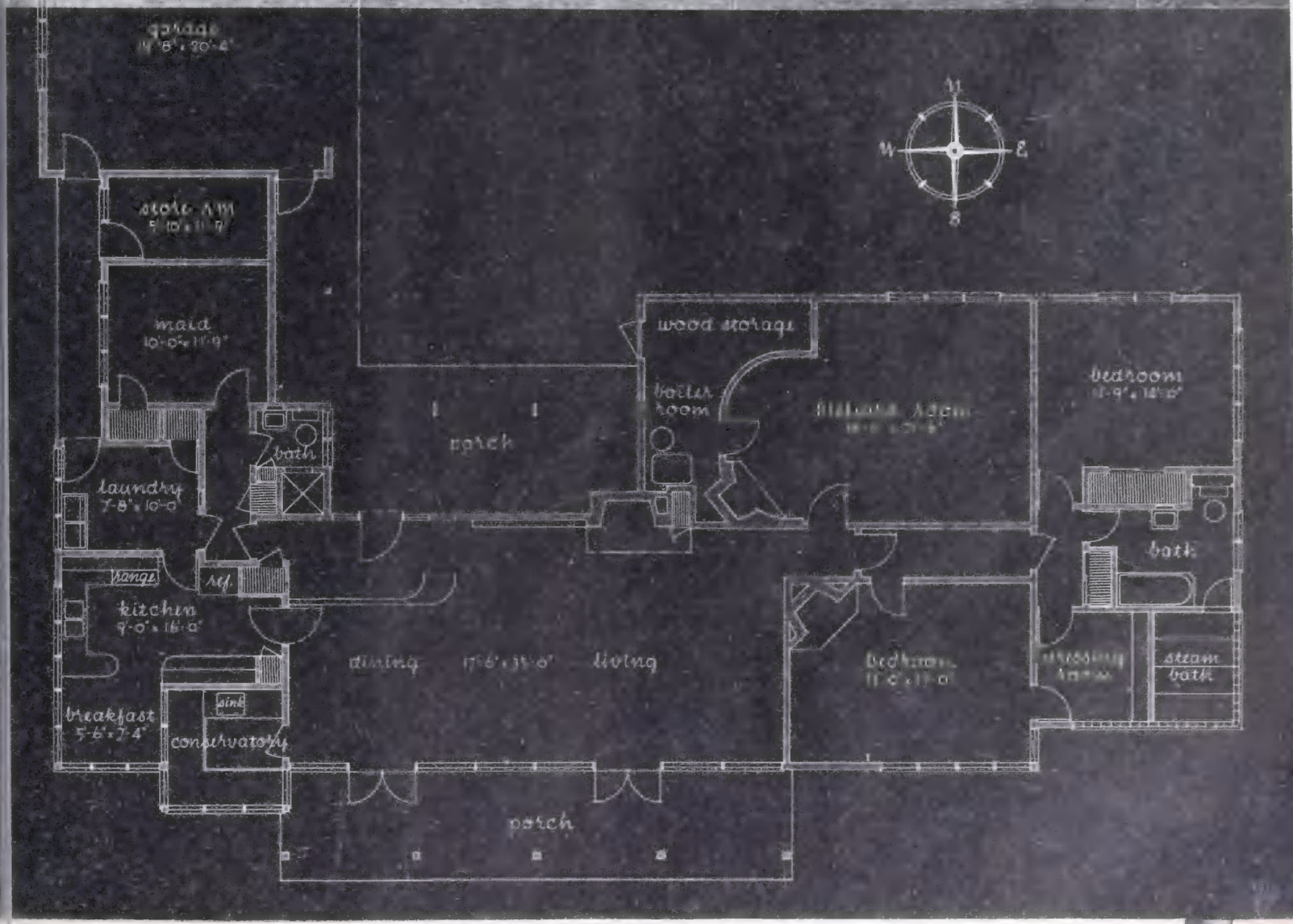
by Will Mehlhorn

Ranch houses are not just a matter of picturesque exteriors with wagon-wheel and Heigh-ho Silver décor. What they can offer is a better way of living—not just a fancier façade. Their concept of a house differs wholly from the compressed, box-like house plunked arbitrarily in the middle of a lot facing the street, with porch or terrace tacked on as an afterthought.

They use the whole lot as living space. They separate the house itself into living, sleeping, and kitchen wings placed to use the best exposures the lot affords, not just to face the street. At the same time they include outdoor "rooms" to amplify indoor ones—terrace for living, dining, entertaining; porch for private retreat; kitchen or play yard for utility. Functioning in direct cahoots with the interior by many doors, enlarged windows, these outdoor living areas double spaciousness of house at much less than the cost of building indoor space. They double the quality of living a house offers, too.

For livability, such outdoor spots must be planned for privacy from street and neighbors of course. And such areas need not be limited to mild weather use only. There are tricks of sun and wind control—orientation, protective fences, walls, planting—that permit some measure of outdoor living in any season anywhere.




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More a Way of Living

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1. A ranch house has a rambling character. Building wraps itself around a broad entrance court ample enough for all parking. Flush cedar siding walls have modern yet rustic feeling.

2. This ground-floor recreation room, first planned for billiards, is an invaluable secondary living room. Its gable end window gives day light rarely found in basement recreation rooms.

3. A pleasant dividend of the plan is the south greenhouse tucked in between dining room and breakfast corner. It can be seen through glass from either. Note flower sink and work counter.

4. Glass covers the whole living-dining room wall to catch the breath-taking sweep of landscape. It increases the apparent size of this room enormously. Shallow porch shields hot sun.

5. The 35-foot length of main room makes it useful for dining as well as living without the occupants treading on each other's toes. Partway partition screens it from the entrance hall.

6. The double, front-of-the-house garage is designed with distinguished simplicity of the house. Its door matches wall siding exactly. You can pass from garage to front door under cover.

7. A luxurious feature of the house is a steam room in the master suite. Glass blocks let in light without letting in outside air. Walls, ceiling, and three slabs to lie on, are tiled.

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HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

FOR GARDENERS

WE BELIEVE:



——— that home grounds *can* be kept beautiful without slave labor —either your own or some one else's.

——— that property maintenance can be made more efficient to cut costs and save time.

——— that time-and-motion studies of routine tasks can show you how to save time, energy, and money on garden care.

——— that property maintenance should leave time to indulge other leisure pursuits, such as flower-growing, sports, flying, traveling.

——— that grounds should be designed to look as well out of season as in season. We are against gardens that have a sad "off season" look several months a year.

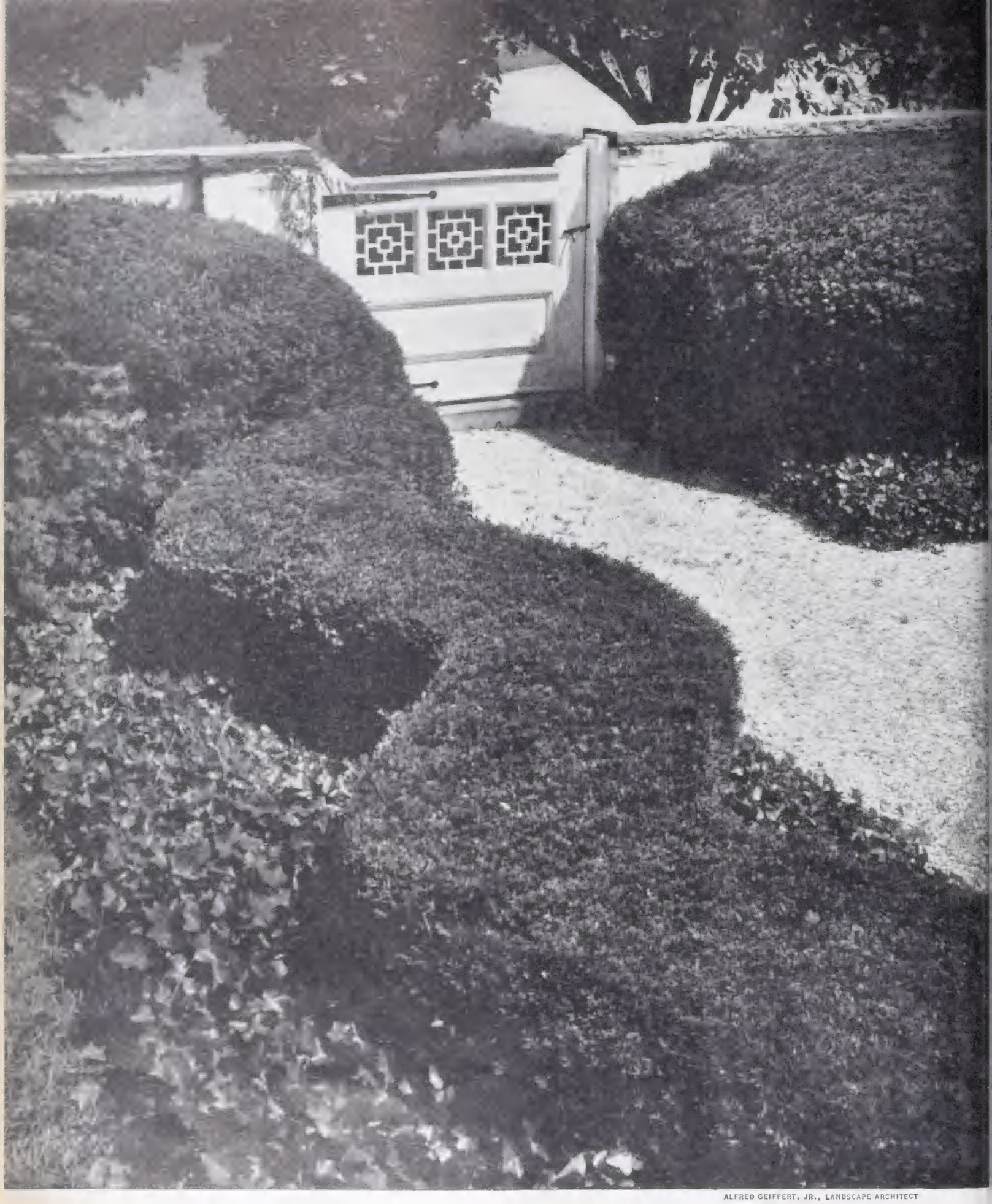
——— that a high initial investment in tools, plants, and construction is the way to have real low-cost maintenance, for such things amortize themselves in saved time and wages.

——— that plant material which takes care of itself should be the backbone of residential planting.

——— that every property should have a service area as efficiently designed for work as the modern kitchen.

——— that a low-maintenance garden has to be designed that way. It doesn't just happen, but is the result of deliberate calculations aimed at eliminating or reducing upkeep.

The next 20 pages show how other people have reduced garden drudgery.



ALFRED GEIFFERT, JR., LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

by Thomas Church

Serpentine hedges of dwarf yew, filled in around the base with ivy, coupled with a white oyster shell walk on the property of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Holters of Cincinnati. A fine example of how to enjoy pattern and form with a minimum of upkeep. Fertilizing and pruning twice a year is all the work required.

CARE-FREE *gardens*

don't just happen

Many homeowners work so hard trying to keep ambitious landscape schemes afloat that they don't have time to enjoy them. Other people, seeing their neighbors struggling to keep ahead of their weeds, their mowing, their edging and trimming, and their pruning, decide to forego the whole business of landscaped grounds, and so live out their lives in houses that are little more than boxes set on a flat bare platter.

While the first group of homeowners are slaves to impractical planting schemes and the labor shortage, the latter group might as well be living in an apartment house—for all the pleasure they derive from home ownership. Both groups are depriving themselves of the aesthetic dividends that come from living in the midst of the beauties of nature.

The solution for both types is what I call CONTROL. Control means conceiving the design of a property, in the very beginning, to reduce subsequent maintenance as much as possible. Control entails using such devices as these: the extensive use of paving to reduce the area of grass to be mowed; walls instead of hedges; continuous paved strips as edgings for flower beds and lawns instead of grass edges which must be hand trimmed; (*Continued on page* 136)

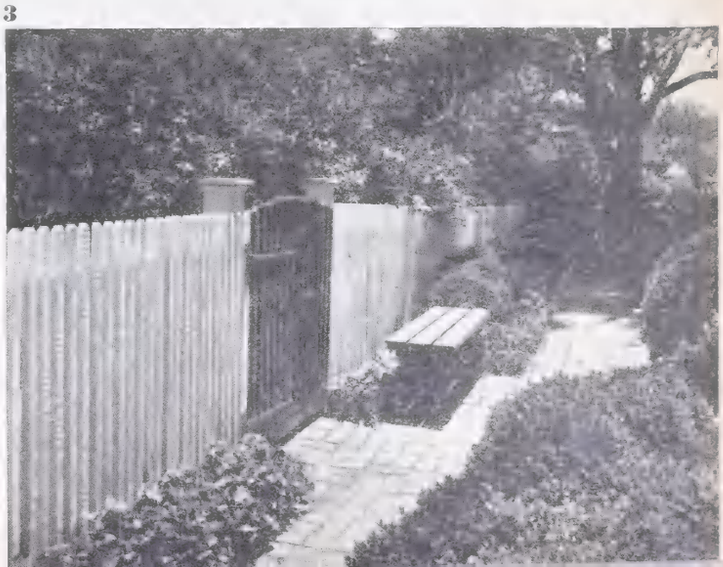
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1. A garden composed of nearly 100 per cent care-free components. Beds of ivy, informal plantings of shrubs, a fence of grape stakes, paths of brick, accents of boxwood. Nothing to be repainted, replanted, trimmed. Grass circle would need mowing.

2. Another landscape architect, in another climate, arrives at virtually the same solution. The farthest beds are for flowers, with edging of verbena. All gardens on these pages look as well out of season as in. Home of the W. H. Harrisons, Cincinnati.

3. Garden of the Coke-Garrett house, Williamsburg, Va., made of boxwood and violets. Brick path needs no maintenance, though fence would need occasional painting. The secret of such gardens is to have pleasing form and the right plant material.

If you want to REDUCE WORK *stay away from formality*

There is as much as 8 times more work in a formal garden than in an informal garden. Yet an informal design is no less beautiful. If you are never caught up on outdoor work, maybe you should redesign your grounds as outlined here

Surprisingly little has ever been written about how completely the design of yard and grounds controls the amount of maintenance it requires. But it does. And if you want to reduce the time and money you spend on property maintenance, in order to have a better-looking place, you will arrange the design of your property to avoid high maintenance features.

In a nutshell, there are two kinds of garden design—one requiring high maintenance and the other low maintenance.

If you want home grounds that are easy to care for, avoid formal designs. Formal grounds can be a handsome sight, with their tailored geometrical patterns made of rectangular beds, paths, walls, and hedges. BUT, these are the very elements that require constant attention: trimming, pruning, edging, mowing, staking, and perpetual tidying to attain a well-groomed look. The very preciseness of the pattern causes a little disorder to be exaggeratedly noticeable. In short, if you undertake formal grounds, you must pay a high price, in your own time or in money for some one else's time, to keep it up.

But what if you are not willing to pay this high price? Your alternative is an informal garden. Since it is composed of continuously curving, melting, and merging lines, gently rolling contours, and free-growing shrubs and trees, an informal garden requires less precise grooming and less frequent attention.

To understand the differences in upkeep required by each type of garden, you must recognize what the elements are that take the time and labor to keep them in acceptable order.

It is edges that take the most work—edges of borders, grass edges, path edges—in short, any change of material which places two unlike things together. To mow a large, unbroken grass area takes less time, for instance, than to trim the grass along the edges of the same grassy area where the mower cannot extend (as around the base of trees and at the foot of walls). So it is obvious that the more you break up a given area into smaller elements, the more work you create for yourself or your hired labor.

For instance, the formal plan across the page has eight times more lineal feet of edges that must be trimmed, edged, and pruned than the informal plan below. It is obvious that its owner must pay dearly in time and labor to keep it up.

But edges are not the only high cost factors. The boundary of a formal area is usually a tall, clipped hedge to separate it partially from its naturalistic surroundings. The trees or shrubs that you plant in straight rows and keep to specified heights and widths to form these hedges not only require frequent shearing or pruning, but also extra fertilizing to keep them thick and dense.

On the other hand, should you build an informal garden, you will find that a boundary planting of free-growing shrubs needs little pruning and much less feeding, just as meadow grass requires less maintenance than a closely cropped lawn. Shrubs and trees are planted in irregular groups or drifts, and allowed to grow into their natural shapes, with rarely more attention than a light pruning once a year to guide their growth.

You will find the informal garden just the reverse of formal —no geometric lines, straight, or curved. Instead it has easy-flowing, continuous curves and is free of edgings, low hedges, or the stiff lines of straight borders. Even if you don't get around to trimming curved edges regularly, the lawn still won't look untidy because the pattern is unregimented.

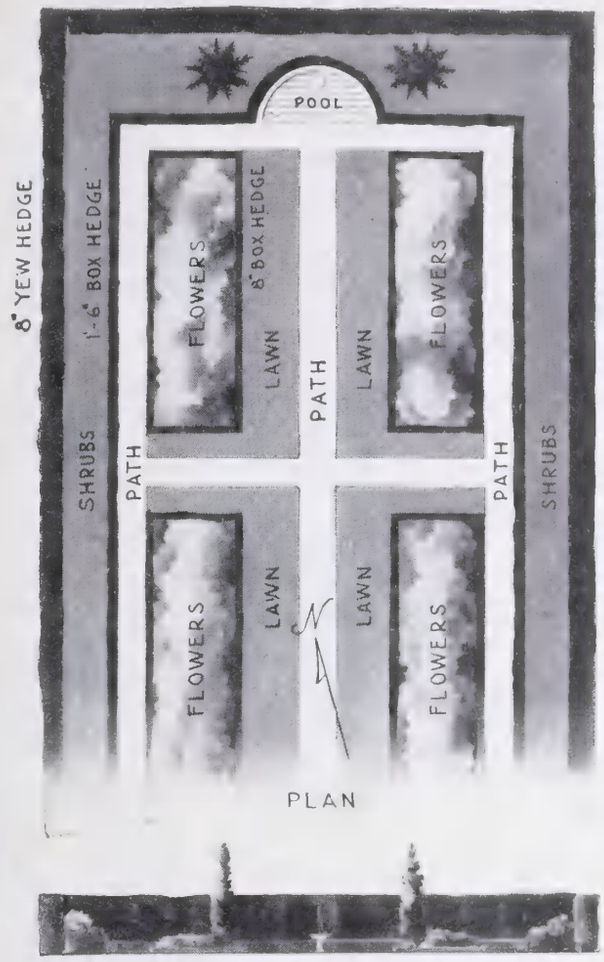
The catch in planning a successful informal garden is that you must know how big your shrubs will get. There is a shrub of just the right size for any given spot in your garden, but you have to know what it is. If you plant a shrub that naturally reaches 15 feet and try to prune it down to five feet you will not have low maintenance. Nor will you have good informal design, because you will ruin the natural character of the shrub. Take the trouble to check on the ultimate size of shrubs you plan to (*Continued on page* 133)



FORMAL: Section and plan of shrubs in hedge form. To keep pattern, clip them regularly

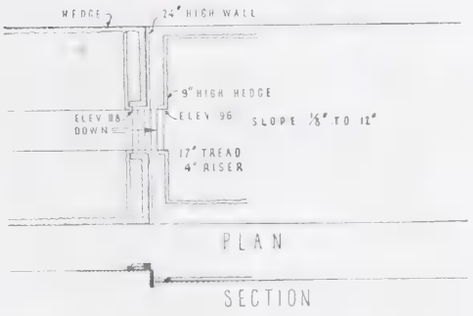


INFORMAL: Free-growing shrubs need little pruning, particularly if planted in "drifts"



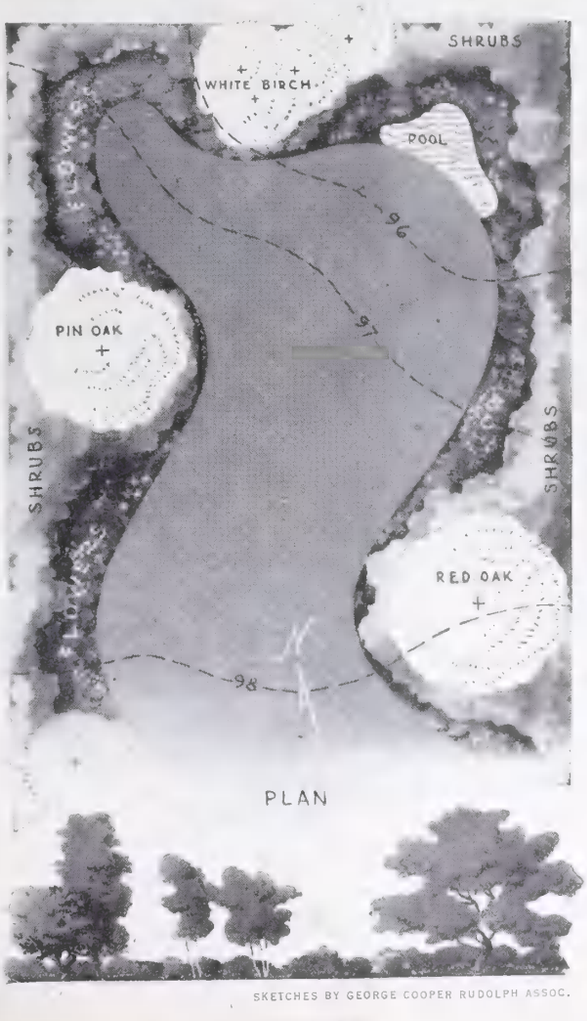
Formality requires more maintenance because of more edges to trim

Its demands are apparent when you analyze the separate parts of this symmetrically balanced garden: hedges to clip, narrow strips of grass to mow, flower beds to edge, paths to weed, bedding plants and bulbs to set out in symmetrical rows, perennials to stake and disbud. Are you such a strong advocate of formality that you are willing to spend your time, or money for someone else's time to keep such a garden in perfect condition?



Many straight lines and flat planes make more maintenance work

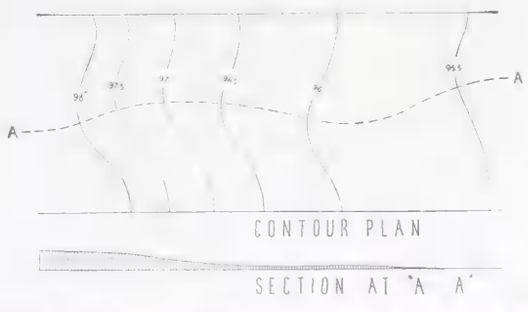
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An informal garden of curved lines and unclipped plants requires less work

By designing an asymmetrical garden, with naturalistic plantings, you co-operate with nature and thereby cut down considerably on grass edging and other routine gardening chores. Some work, like hedge shearing and the annual planting of bedding plants, and the digging and storing of tulip bulbs, you can forget entirely. Even if the garden becomes overgrown in spots, these are not so glaringly apparent here as in a formal garden.



Gently flowing contours make less work than steps and walls

The way to CUT WORK *is to eliminate it*

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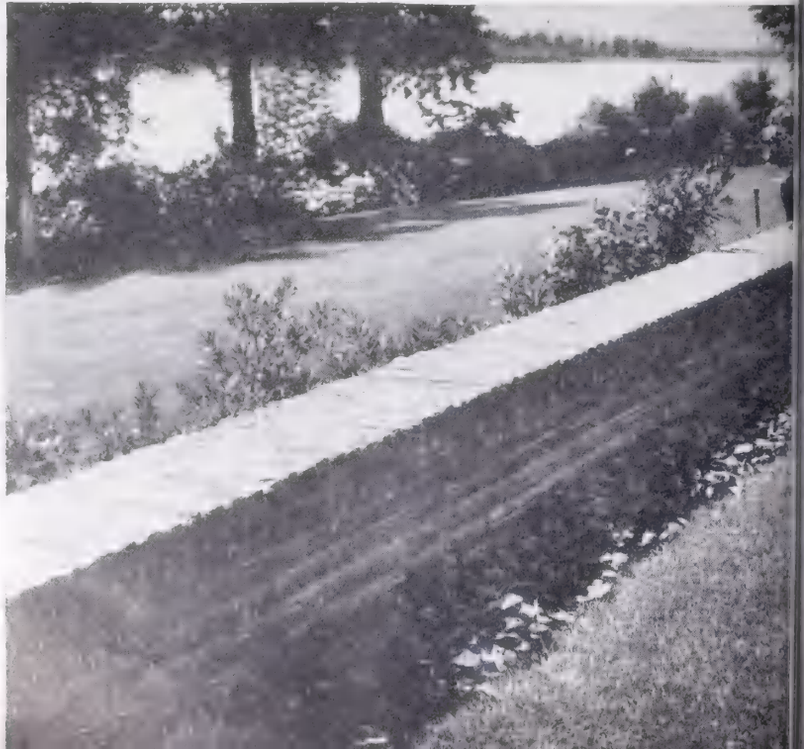
1. Grow a 12- to 18-inch strip of English ivy along hard-to-mow places where change of grade or steps makes mowing out of the question. Then you can mow right up to and into the ivy, for a few leaves clipped off won't matter. Trimming it once or twice a year to keep it shaped is only attention it needs, once it is established. Home of the Samuel Manghams, Atlanta.

2. Be very careful to keep all grades level with each other—when your lawn stops and other materials begin. If you are meticulous about this, your lawn mower wheels can ride on the other material, and the blades can make a clean and final sweep in the cutting operation. A few hours spent regrading will save hundreds of hours of backbreaking hand-trimming.

3. Bugle (*Ajuga reptans*) is a tough little creeping plant that you can plant at the base of a wall, thereby eliminating edging and trimming. Bugle will persist even when clipped or run over by the lawn mower. Plant is so low it never needs shearing, except for clipping off flower stalks after spring bloom. Edge it twice a season. Erskine Wood garden, Vancouver, Wash.

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Eliminate hand trimming and edging operations from lawn mowing and you will save about four-fifths of the time and labor. How? By fixing your lawn areas so the mower can trim edges, too. Here are three principles other people have used to eliminate one whole operation in lawn grooming

4. Trees in the middle of a lawn present a trimming problem, unless you use a solution something like this. Landscape architect Thomas Church used a level-with-lawn cement collar. The wheels of the mower ride on this strip so the blades can cut *all* the grass. A decorative idea as well as a functional one. Photographed in garden of the Decker McAllisters, San Mateo, Cal.

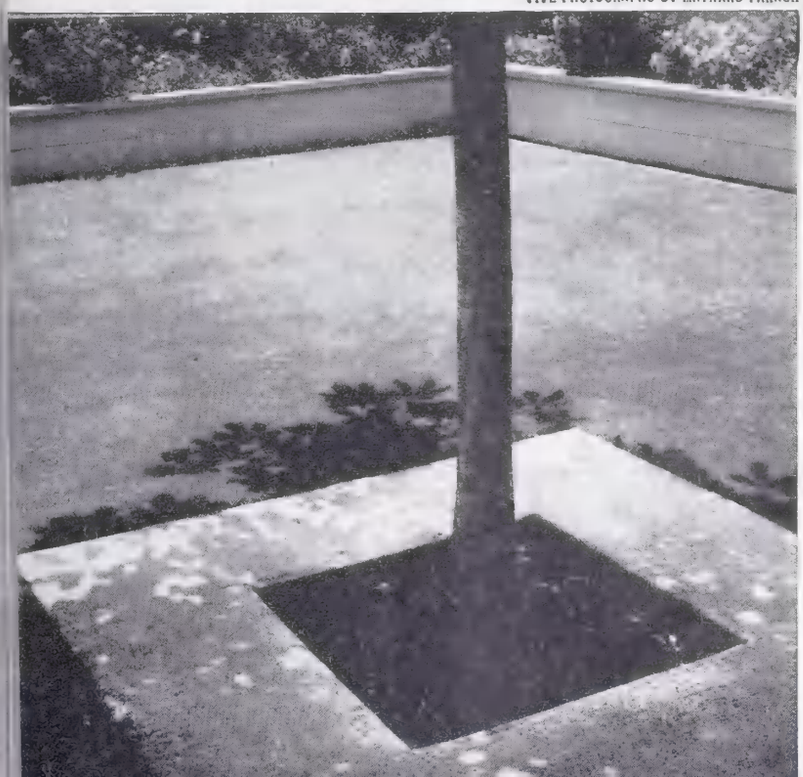
5. Obviously a lawn mower can't cut *all* the grass if it grows right up to the base of a wall. So don't use grass in such hard-to-get-at places. A brick strip, flush with grass level, eliminates second operation of edge trimming. Such devices help strengthen a garden's pattern, particularly when it is out of season. Another Thomas Church installation for the McAllisters.

6. If you lay a row of bricks end to end or side by side, as here, you will solve the grass-trimming problem and at the same time make a decorative permanent edge for your lawn. Bricks are flush with lawn surface, of course, so wheel of mower can run along the edging. Note how bricks intensify design of beds. Owners, the John Bradleys; Mr. Church, designer.

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Eliminate

GRASS CUTTING

entirely

. . . In cut-up, broken areas

. . . In shaded areas

. . . On banks

. . . Around steps

. . . Along outskirts of property and approaches

1. In cut-up broken areas

● Myrtle (*Vinca minor*) does away with mowing in those narrow planting strips between road curb and oyster-shell path, and between path and house foundation. Mr. and Mrs. John G. Holters own this Cincinnati garden, designed by Alfred Geiffert, Jr.

2. Along outskirts of a property

● Out-of-the-way areas bounded by a fence and broken up by trees may well be planted to ground covers. The English ivy here needs only occasional trimming. Photographed in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Sprague, who live in Los Angeles, California.

3. On banks or around steps (see opposite)

● Grass-mowing on banks or terraced areas is an awkward, time-consuming procedure. Rather than chance this, try a ground cover like English ivy—or pachysandra or the tenacious Japanese honeysuckle, if you are willing to sickle the latter once a month or so.

4. In shaded areas where grass dies out

● If you are looking for a neat ground cover for a shaded spot, try bugle (*Ajuga reptans*). It isn't fully evergreen in the North, but it offers advantages of filling in quickly and giving a close, even texture. Grounds of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Graydon, Cincinnati, Ohio.



Other Lawns Besides Grass

Let's face it. There are times (which is to say places) when grass is impractical. Either it won't grow, due to unfriendly soil or shade conditions, or it can't be mowed, due to steep grades. Or it requires too much time-consuming handtrimming, as with steps.

In cases like these grass is not worth the time, coddling, and money it demands of the busy gardener. But there are other types of lawns to take its place, lawns which are relatively maintenance-free. In fact there are five rather universally successful ground covers which make good substitutes for grass lawns: English ivy (*Hedera helix*), pachysandra, myrtle or periwinkle (*Vinca minor*), Japanese honeysuckle, and winter creeper (*Euonymus radicans*). Which one you had best use depends on the problem you are trying to solve.

If your lawn fails in shady places under trees, getting thin and straggly from want of sun and moisture, you must use a ground cover that can be hardy under these conditions. In midsummer, when rain is scarce, tree roots remove water from the soil long before other soils have dried. Also, leaves of many trees divert rain to such a degree that drought is further accentuated. Very few plants can live in such bone-dry soil. The plant that does live must have a somewhat woody structure.

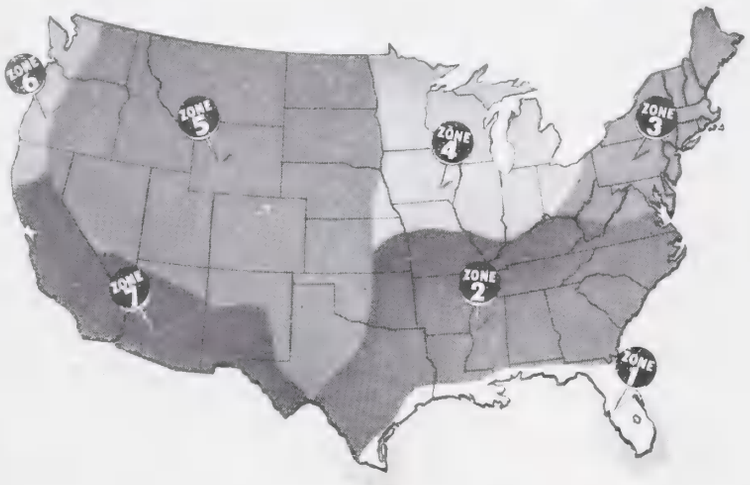
Under poor conditions the good old-fashioned English ivy (*Hedera helix* and varieties) can be helped to produce a rather luxurious effect. *Pachysandra terminalis*, the Japanese spurge, does reasonably well, but, having a less woody structure, it may succumb eventually to severe midsummer drought where tree roots are present. Worth trying, too, are periwinkle or myrtle (*Vinca minor*) and *Euonymus radicans*.

The hardiest varieties of English ivy are Baltic (*Continued on page* 134)

GARDEN OF THE S. W. MANGHAMS, ATLANTA PHOTOGRAPH BY F. S. LINCOLN

You won't work so hard if you

GROW THE EASY FLOWERS



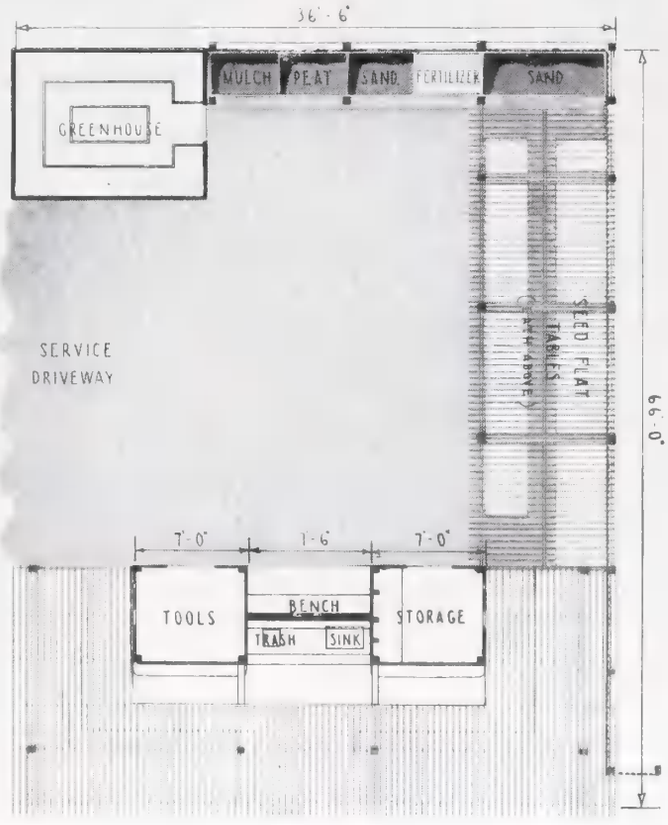
Some flowers practically take care of themselves. Others must be pampered with perpetual attentions. Seven regional experts helped us compile this list of 83 trouble-free flowers. Read your zone column only

ZONES	1. Florida & Gulf Strip	2. South	3. Northeast & Central	4. Middle West	5. Rocky Mts. & Great Plain	6. Pacific Northwest	7. California & Southwest
SPRING-BLOOMING PERENNIALS							
Astilbe—2-4′, white, pink, or crimson; semi-shade preferred	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no
Bleedingheart *(Dicentra)*—2′, rose-pink, part shade	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	in mts.
Columbine—1½-2′, various colors, semi-shade preferred	W. Fla.	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Coralbells *(Heuchera)*—1½-2′, pink, semi-shade preferred	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Forget-me-not, summer *(Anchusa myosotidiflora)*—1′, blue	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Gasplant *(Dictamnus)*—3′, rose or white, resents being moved	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Heliotrope, garden *(Valeriana officinalis)*—3-4′, white	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no
Hemerocallis—1-4′, yellow, orange, to mahogany red	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Indigo, false *(Baptisia australis)*—3′, blue, resents moving	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no
Meadowrue, *(Thalictrum aquilegifolium)*—2-3′, white, shade	no	rare	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Mint *(Nepeta mussini)*—1′, lavender	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Peony—3-3½′, pink, maroon, white	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	in mts.
Phlox, blue *(P. divaricata)*—1½′, blue	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Poppy, oriental—2½-3′, red to white, sun	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Speedwell *(Veronica spicata)*—1½′, blue, pink, white, full sun	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
SUMMER-BLOOMING PERENNIALS							
Babysbreath *(Gypsophila)*—3′, white	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Balloonflower *(Platycodon)*—1½-2′, blue, white	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Beebalm *(Monarda)*—2-3′, red, white, lavender, salmon	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
False-dragonhead *(Physostegia)*—1-3′, pink, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Fleabane *(Erigeron)*—1½′, lavender	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Funkia *(Hosta)*—1½-2′, white, blue, shade preferred	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Gaillardia—1-2′, red, yellow, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gayfeather *(Liatris)*—4′, purple	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Hemerocallis 1-4′, yellow, orange	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Maltese cross *(Lychnis chalcedonica)*—3′, scarlet	no	yes	yes	yes	some	yes	no

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Meadowrue, dusty *(Thalictrum glaucum)*—3-4′, yellow	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Primrose, evening *(Oenothera missouriensis)*—1′, yellow	yes	yes	yes	yes	some	yes	no
Speedwell, clump *(Veronica subsessilis)*—1½-2′, blue, sun	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Spiderwort *(Tradescantia)*—1-1½′, white, blue, purple	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
FALL-BLOOMING PERENNIALS							
Asters, hardy—1½-5′, white, pink, blue, violet	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	some
Chrysanthemum—1-3′, various colors	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Coneflower, purple *(Rudbeckia purpurea)*—3-4′, purple, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gaillardia—1-1½′, red, yellow, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Helenium—1-4′, yellow to orange, sun	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Mistflower *(Eupatorium coelestinum)*—1-2′, blue	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no
Stonecrop, showy *(Sedum spectabile)*—1½′, lavender	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sunflower, perennial *(Helianthus)*—1-6′, yellow, orange, sun	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
ANNUALS THAT SELF-SOW							
Alyssum, sweet—6″, white, lilac	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Argemone—1½′, yellow or white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Calendula—2′, gold, orange	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Calliopsis *(Coreopsis)*—2-3′, yellow, mahogany	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Candytuft—1′, white	some	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Cleome—2-3′, blue, pink, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Cornflower *(Centaurea)*—2-3′, blue, pink, white	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Cosmos—4-6′, crimson, pink, white	some	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Four-o'clock *(Mirabilis)*—1′, various	yes(per)	yes(per)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Larkspur—2-4′, blue, pink, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Morning-glory—vine, blue, pink, white	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Nicotine—4-5′, maroon, pink, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Petunia—1′, various (reverts to magenta when self-sows)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Pink *(Dianthus)*—1-1½′, various	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Poppy, California *(Eschscholtzia)*—1-1½′, various	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes(per)	yes(per)
Poppy, Shirley—1½′, various colors	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Poppy, opium—2′, various colors	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Portulaca—6″, various colors	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Salvia, red—9-18″, various colors	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Snow-on-the-mountain *(Euphorbia)*—2½-3½′, white	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
SPRING BULBS							
Camassia—2-3′, blue, white	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	some
Crocus—4-6″, various colors	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	some
Crown imperial *(Fritillaria imperialis)*—4′, orange	no	upper	yes	no	no	yes	no
Glory-of-the-snow *(Chionodoxa)*—6-7″, blue, white	no	no	yes	yes	fewyrs.	yes	yes
Grape-hyacinth *(Muscari)*—4-6″, blue, white	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Hyacinth, wood *(Scilla hispanica)*—1½′, blue, pink, white	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Narcissus—1-2′, yellow, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	fewyrs.	yes	yes
Squill *(Scilla)*—3-6″, blue, white	no	no	yes	yes	fewyrs.	yes	yes
Snowdrop *(Galanthus nivalis)*—9-12″, white	no	no	yes	yes	fewyrs.	yes	yes
Snowflake *(Leucojum vernum)*—9-12″, white	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Solomons-seal *(Polygonatum biflorum)*—3′, white	no	upper	yes	yes	no	yes	no
Solomons-seal, false *(Smilacina)*—1-1½′, white	no	upper	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Trillium—6″-1½′, white, pink, maroon	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
SUMMER BULBS							
Amaryllis, Hall's *(Lycoris squamigera)*—2½-3′, soft pink	no	upper	yes	yes	no	some	no
Crocus, autumn *(Colchicum)*—3-6″, purple, yellow, white	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Lily, Henry—5-7′, orange, yellow	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Lily, madonna *(L. candidum)*—3-5′, white	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Lily, Nankeen *(L. testaceum)*—3-6′, apricot, yellow	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes
Lily, speciosum—2-4′, white and rose	no	yes	yes	yes	some	yes	yes
Lily, speciosum—2-4′, white and rose	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Lily, tiger—3-6′, orange	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Lily, umbellatum—1-2½′, orange-red	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sternbergia lutea—1′, golden yellow	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes

For list of easy flowers for California and Florida turn to page 131





● This tool-house-work center was designed by Thomas Church for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Franck, Hillsborough, Cal. It is in side yard, close to all garden areas for maximum usefulness. Side facing house is a flower arranging counter, shown below.



● Arranging flowers outdoors saves work. For you carry indoors only finished bouquets instead of all the muss to be carried out later. Notice deep sink for filling tall vases, hole over waste can for disposal of trimmings, space for vases.



● Mr. Church designed these bins for mulch, sand, fertilizer, which too frequently are left in heavy, unwieldy bags. Screened, slotted top of manure bin admits air but no flies. This wing is hidden from house by tool house wing. See plan opposite.



● It's only a few steps from greenhouse to shaded bench where seedlings are hardened before exposure to full sun. Notice benches are built up to no-stoop level. Correct heights of work areas are as important to gardener as to assembly-line worker.

You can reduce work with a

SERVICE YARD

Half the battle in reducing garden work is having tools and materials close to where they're used. The service yard pictured here is the best solution we've seen to the twin problems of accessible storage for tools and materials and handy work space for behind-the-scenes gardening operations. Study it, not to duplicate it, but to see how you can adapt its basic principles in lessening your own garden work

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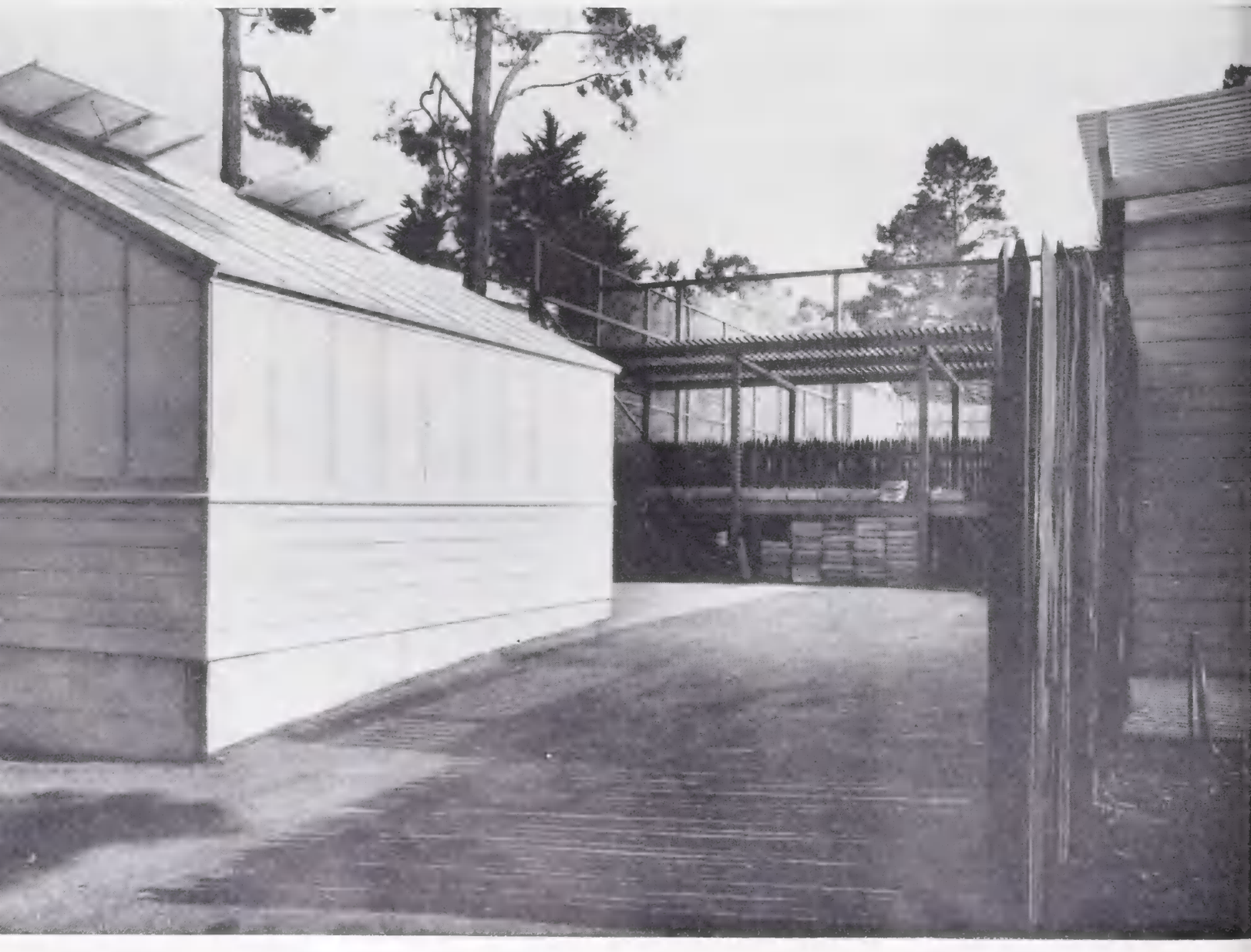


● If you have to drag heavy tools up from basement or garage, you increase work immeasurably. This toolhouse, behind the flower counter, provides point-of-use storage. Next page shows how trucks can back into this service yard to make deliveries.

A garden should be

PLANNED FOR TRAFFIC

You'll save time, steps, and unnecessary hauling if you plan your driveways and paths so that bulky gardening materials can be delivered directly where they are to be stored, and if you house equipment near the place it is needed



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1. The Francks' service yard, shown in detail on page 83, has a driveway planned to permit a truck to back up and deliver such bulky loads as peat or sand right to their storage bins. For a less ambitious garden, storage bins might be placed at the rear of a typical driveway.

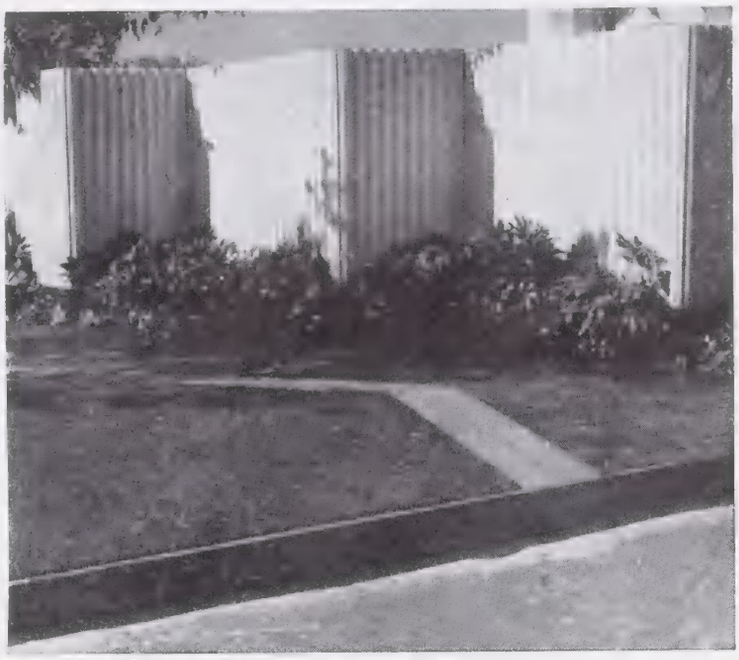
2. At the Hawthorne Dents' place, in Seattle, a pair of decorative white gates conceals from the street the workings of the service yard to which this driveway leads. Trucks back up here, and beyond the gates dump their loads into ingenious storage pit shown top, right.

3. Truckloads of fertilizer are dumped directly into this 4-foot deep, cement-lined pit in the Dents' service yard. The unsightly pile is covered with doors level with the driveway, and shoveled into wheelbarrows as needed. Small-scale gardeners can sink pits in ground instead.

4. To keep equipment handy to use, and sheltered from the elements when not in use, the Dents built lean-to's against the garage and against a wall. Horizontal space under garage window accommodates low-wheel tools, and vertical lean-to houses the long-handled tools.

5. Lean-to idea is worth copying on many counts. See how uncluttered the Dents' service yard looks when tools are put away and shelters closed. Lean-to roofs have a good slant to shunt off rain and prevent rusting. Rustless tools save cleaning time and do a quicker job.

6. Hauling a wheel implement up steps and down is neither good for the implement nor the gardener. Landscape architect Thomas Church solved this problem by building cement ramps alongside steps wherever the grade changes. Eminel Halstead garden, Atherton, Cal.



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BURTON SCHUTT, ARCHITECT



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Use materials that don't need

REPAINTING *or* REPLACING

Ever paint a fence or repair an old trellis? You know what time and effort such jobs add to gardening chores. But you can cross them off the list if you build your fences and garden features of lasting materials that need no upkeep

1. Corrugated "Transite," an asbestos cement product, makes a tough-wearing, textured garden fence which requires no painting, for it weathers naturally and beautifully. Landscape architect Thomas Church uses it here in a chevron design.

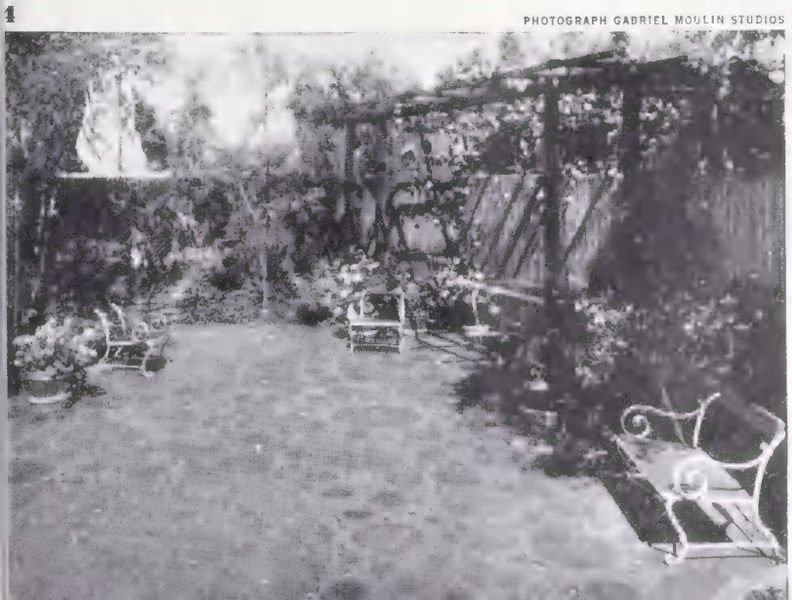
2. Rustic fences of the long-lasting woods—cypress, cedar and redwood—save time and money in maintenance because they resist rot and need no paint. Slabs of redwood bark fence in grounds of Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles. Note trunk step.

3. Protect a wood fence from dampness and you cut down maintenance, because dampness means rot and rot means repairs. Creosoted lattice fence in the Chester F. Krogers' Cincinnati garden has a stone base. Eleanor Christie, designer.

4. Weeds straggling through the cracks of a terrace floor increase upkeep chores. Overcome them by laying a solid floor of concrete, brick, stone, or closely packed redwood blocks, as Mr. Church did here. Gravel between blocks stifles weeds.

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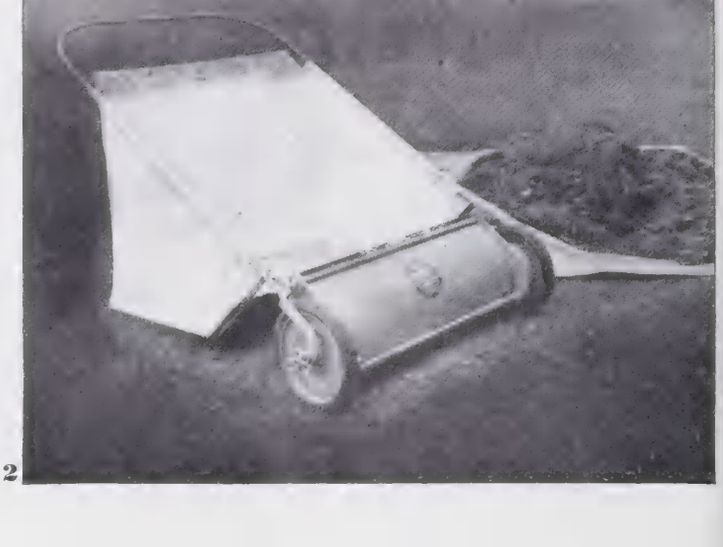




5. Rotting away of wooden stakes in fences and trellises calls for constant maintenance. You eliminate this headache if all posts sunk into the ground are stone, as in landscape architect Henry Fletcher Kenney's own garden.



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Work the easy way with

TIME-SAVING BACK-SAVING *tools*

Do you know that by using certain labor-saving tools you may be able to do the same work in half the time—or do twice as much work in the same time? Since time is money, it is truly an economy to own many types of equipment that most people erroneously consider an extravagance.

To prove this point, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL made some time-and-motion studies among many practical gardeners—both home and professional ones. And we ran some trials of our own. Then we did some cost accounting. Here are a few of the facts we discovered.

By actual count, it takes 18 minutes to fill six bushel baskets with leaves and carry each separately 100 feet to the compost heap. Yet if, instead, you deposit an equivalent amount of leaves in a 9- by 12-foot piece of canvas, costing only $10, carrying and dumping the whole at once, it would take only ten minutes, saving you eight minutes or almost half the time. Think how many hours of walking and bending you can save in a year by the second method!

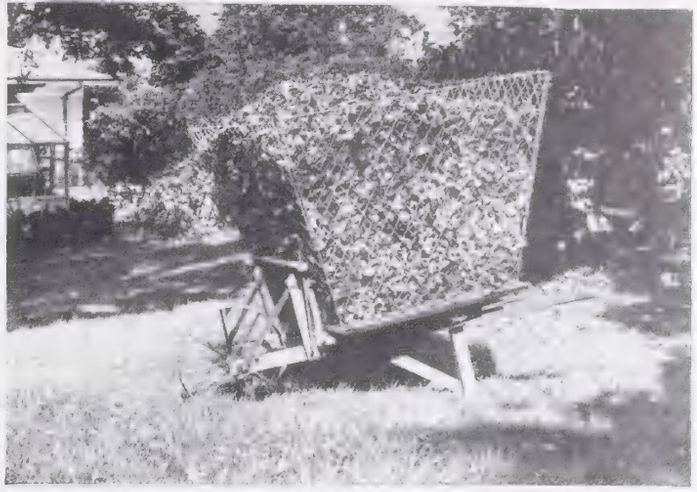
A large cloth full of leaves can be cumbersome and heavy to carry. If you prefer to wheel your leaves to the compost heap, use another time-saving method to reduce motions—the leaf rack illustrated in picture 4.

If insect and pest control takes you an hour or more a week with one of the little one-quart, hand-pumped sprayers or dusters, then it will pay you to investigate others. A comparison of actual spraying time shows that what takes an hour to do with one of the small sprayers, takes only 10 minutes to do with a compressed air sprayer, and only two to three minutes with a power pump (suitable, of course, only for large properties).

As for dusting, what it takes an hour to do with a hand duster you can do in 20 minutes with a rotary or bellows type of duster, and in two to three minutes with a power duster. Quite some difference!

Actual spraying time is not the only time you save with a good spray or dust distributor. You can save time in mixing spray and filling your sprayer if, instead of the one-quart size, you use one of two or more gallons capacity. This is practical only if the size of your property warrants it. (*Continued on page* 130)







1. Look for durable materials in a sprayer to avoid the necessity of frequent cleaning. This Lofstrand hand sprayer has a stainless steel tank with machined brass parts and a hose that resists deteriorating effect of petroleum base solutions, like some DDTs.

2. You can cut down your leaf and grass raking time by at least half if you use the Parker "Springfield" lawn sweeper. Of aluminum alloy, the machine is light weight and has an adjustable sweeping brush and a canvas collecting hopper of five-bushel capacity.

3. You can trim a hedge five times faster with an electric trimmer than with hand shears. And think of the arm muscle saved! Skilsaw "Electrimmer," shown, has a 12-inch cutter blade and weighs only six pounds. This tool can amortize itself in two seasons.

4. In this wire leaf rack you can carry 15 bushels of leaves in a single trip to the compost heap. Device can be carried on any wheelbarrow having removable sides. A homemade rack, though not as durable, can be made with 2x4 wooden uprights and chicken wire.

5. Energy saved is as important as time saved. This "Dowcraft" magnesium lawnbarrow weighs only 16 pounds, less than half that of a conventional barrow, handles like a feather, and is rustless and so durable it will last a lifetime. Measures 50″ long—a handy size.

6. You will save time—and materials too—if you invest in a fertilizer and seed spreader for your lawn and vegetable garden. They come in hopper capacities of 20 to 80 pounds. The Thompson "Lawnette" has a brush that insures even spread of materials.

7. Dragging a garden hose on a hot summer day is no fun. But Goodrich's "Koroseal" plastic hose is so light you'll carry it instead. Weighs only 8.9 pounds per 50-foot length, two-thirds that of rubber. It's long-lived, too, being highly resistant to the elements.



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2. The 27-inch Toro "Starlawn," designed to cut four acres a day, has two special features: a floating axle, which allows machine to cling closely on undulating ground, a thumb screw to reset engine when changing height of cut. Machine weighs 185 pounds; around $250. The Toro Manufacturing Corporation has several power mowers, from 18″ to 75″ in width.

A power mower

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in 2 to 5 years

If you have a quarter acre of lawn you can afford to own a power mower. With garden labor costing from 75¢ to $1.50 an hour, a power mower is a good long-term investment, for it can speed up the time of mowing by a half to a third. Consequently it can amortize itself in 2 to 5 years, depending on labor costs and on the size of your property



3. Through generous use of aluminum the 20-inch Doyle "Cyclo-Mower" weighs only 65 pounds. Its light weight and a detachable handle facilitate transporting it by automobile. The motor drives cutting unit only, making clutches unnecessary and allowing a speed of up to 3 miles an hour. The "Cyclo-Mower" has a clipper attachment for trimming lawns and hedges.



4. The 24-inch Jacobsen "Lawn King" features a mechanical pull starter which eliminates the necessity of "winding up" the starter with a rope. Wheels and blades can be controlled by separate clutches, so that you can stop the cutting blades without stopping the wheels. Mowing capacity is two and one half to five acres a day. These mowers come in larger and smaller sizes.

5. Only 95 pounds and of all steel construction, the 18-inch Savage "Power Chief" is as maneuverable as a small hand mower, and will fit in the same storage space. Finger-tip control on the handle permits easy change of speed. Wheels and blades stop at once when handle is lowered—a good safety feature. Mowing capacity is over two acres a day. Under $125.

6. The 30-inch Roebling rotary mower has four horizontal blades of shatterproof steel that rotate at high speed and cleanly cut grass and weeds right up to a hedge, wall, or border edge. If handle is released, it returns to a vertical position automatically stopping machine. Light for its size, the Roebling will cut four acres a day. Around $360. (*Continued on page* 118)



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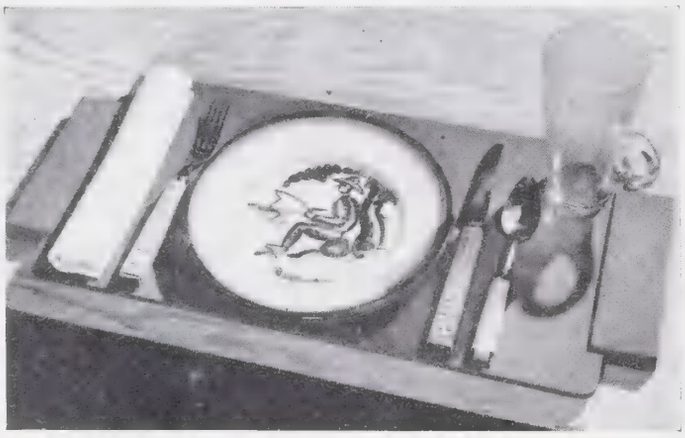


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This disappearing dinette is a boon to the maidless Mrs. who thought she was resigned to endless commuting between stove and dining room. Unlike the stolid kitchen table that takes up precious space, this gem appears only when needed and rolls back promptly after dinner. Really an oversized bread board, it is the perfect solution for a pick-up lunch or a midnight snack. Cabinets are made by the Curtis Companies.

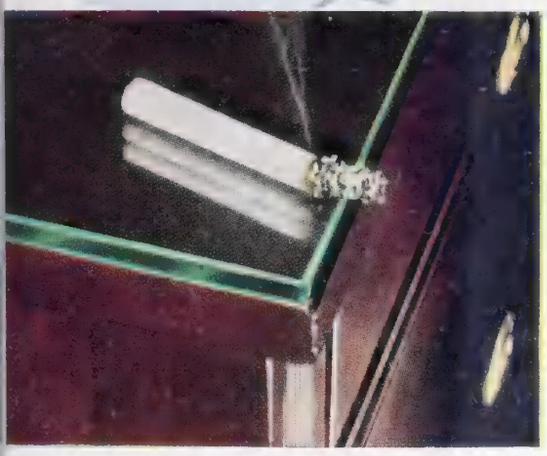


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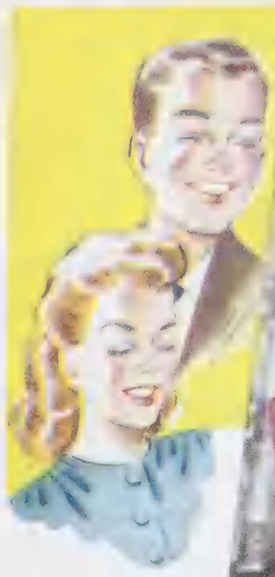
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● If you have a room that seems small and cramped—or if you just like a room to have a touch of glamour, whatever its size—you might try this decorating trick shown above in the Beverly Hills home of movie star Kay Francis. A large triple-paneled mirror, with potted plants at the base of it, gives the illusion of another room beyond, has enormous "enlarging power." Tom Douglas was the decorator.

Ways To Give A "VISTA" To A Room

Here are two tricks for creating the illusion of greater space in a room—and for "opening up" solid wall areas

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● In the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Calhoun in St. Louis, Mo., an enclosed sun porch becomes, decoratively, a part of the living room through the use of metal grillwork in place of the original windows. The view out to the porch has the effect of making the living room seem to be much more spacious.

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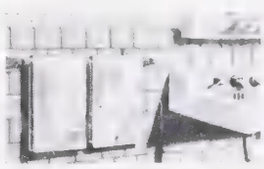


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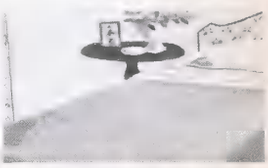
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THE JOKE'S ON MUSIC

Here are some anecdotes by and about the people who make and play our melodies, proving that music can be set to laughter

BY RICHARD WILLIAMS

More than two years ago we presented in this column a few of the more famous anecdotes which musicians and music lovers delight in telling and retelling. Recently I have not only received several letters asking for more anecdotes, but also have come across a few stories which, old as they may be, were unfamiliar to me. Therefore here is another installment:

Two yokels are sitting at a performance of *Carmen*. Suddenly one turns to his friend and says, "When does the swan arrive?"

"Swan?" says the other. "The swan is in *Lohengrin*. This is *Carmen*."

"Oh, then," says the first, "I'm going home. I know *Carmen* by heart."

An aspiring child prodigy was brought to the pianist Anton Rubinstein. The parents of the boy persuaded the great Rubinstein to listen to the boy play. He listened carefully and gave his verdict: "He may be a genius (I wouldn't know about that), but talent he hasn't."

A conductor of no great skill was rehearsing a famous orchestra, and things weren't going to his satisfaction. He frequently stopped to chide the orchestra. Finally the old concertmaster arose majestically and said, "Look, if you bawl us out once more, we'll play what you conduct."

One of Rossini's pupils said to him: "Maestro, I have written two new compositions. I want to play both of them for you, and you must tell me which is the better." The young man sat down and started to play his first piece. After two bars Rossini tapped him on the shoulder and said, "The other, by all means, the other."

I heard this one from Molinari, the Italian conductor: In a tiny town of Italy, the local orchestra was playing a concert. The house was full of friends and relatives of the members of the orchestra. There were two numbers on the first part of the program, a Debussy selection and the *Overture to William Tell*. After the gentle Debussy music the applause was frantic. One violinist turned to his colleague and said, "Imagine, so much applause for Debussy! Think of the wonderful applause we'll

get after the *William Tell Overture.*" The other violinist was wide-eyed with astonishment. "But," he said, "I just played the *William Tell.*"

Encores are an abuse of the opera house which, at the Metropolitan, have been abolished only in the last twenty years. On every program of the Metropolitan you will still find a note, "Positively no encores allowed." Caruso in his earlier days sang encores. In Italian opera houses encores are still given. The champion encore of all time is this: When *The Secret Marriage*, an eighteenth-century opera by Cimarosa, was first performed, it was given before the Emperor of Austria and his court. The Emperor was delighted with the performance, and afterward invited all the singers to supper. The opera was discussed by the gathering, and the Emperor expressed the wish to hear the music again. So one and all went back to the opera house, and the whole opera was *given again.*

This is a true story from the experience of the Metropolitan Opera Guild. During the war the Guild furnished post cards to visiting soldiers so they could write home when they visited the Metropolitan. One soldier wrote and told his family. "The Opera I heard tonight was fine. It was called *Libretto.*"

Brahms, who was inclined to be pessimistic and was certainly self-critical, once complained to a friend that everything fine in music had been done: there were no ideas, no real inspirations left. He was standing on a bridge as he spoke, a bridge under which a river flowed. The friend, listening to Brahms, suddenly pointed up the river. "Look, Johannes," he said, "look there!" "What's there?" said Brahms. "There comes the last wave," said his friend.

Godowski, the famous pianist, used to play duets with Albert Einstein, who loves music but who is—well, let us say an indifferent violinist. They were playing along until Godowski could stand it no more. He banged on the piano and pleaded: "Einstein, please, can't you *count?* One, two, three, four, one, two, three, four."

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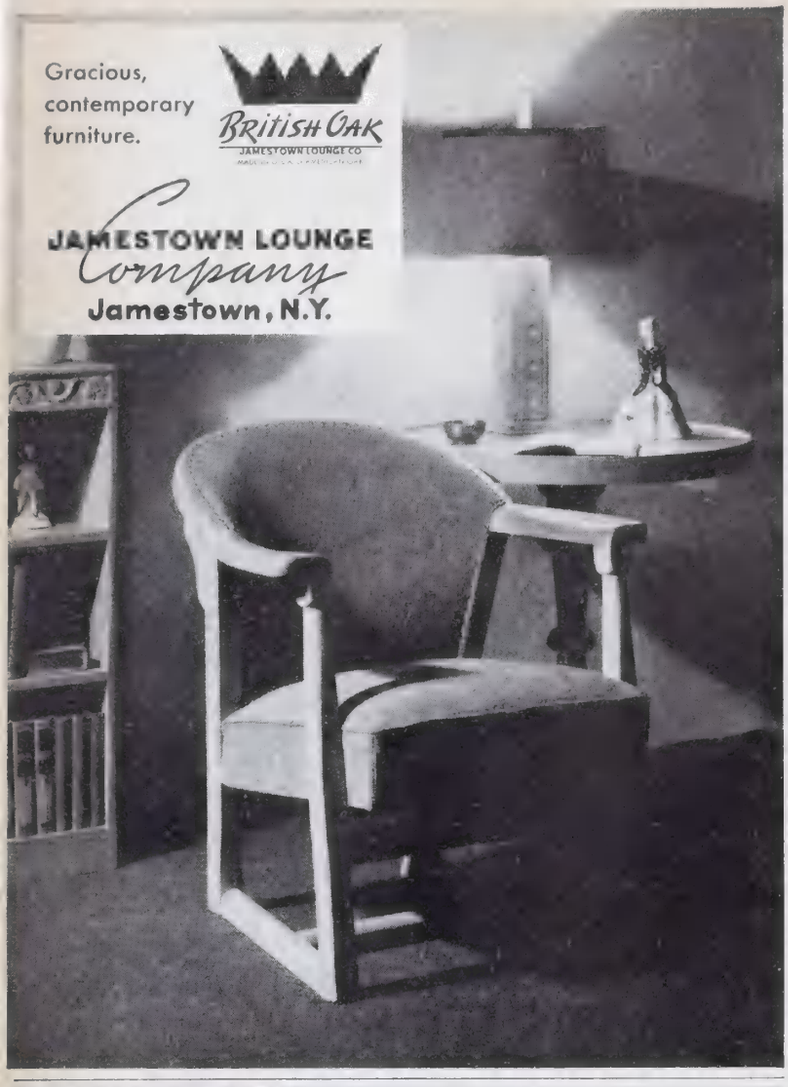
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cast by a high arching tree that permits two to four hours of full sun in the morning and flecks of sunlight later in the day. Afternoon sun in quantity is definitely harmful, because its intensity burns the plants. A windy location is also a poor one, resulting in excessive drying of these moisture-loving plants. You can figure on setting the plants eight inches to a foot apart in the bed.

If you live in a section of the country with hot sun and dry atmosphere, you may follow the lead of fanciers on the West Coast and build a lath house especially for your begonias. They do well in partially shaded window boxes, too, and even in hanging baskets (especially the pendula type).

Tuberous begonias, once considered "impossible" in the Midwest and in the Rocky Mountain-Great Plain states, are now grown successfully here when their moisture needs are carefully watched during the crucially dry, hot months of July and August. Keep the soil moist at all times, and water or syringe the plants at least once a day—oftener during the driest periods. In fact, frequent syringing is beneficial in all parts of the country if bud drop is to be avoided. (The large central male flower naturally drops earlier than the two flanking female flowers.)

In regions of the country with hot summers followed by long, warm autumns, seedling plants have seemed to give better results than those started from tubers.

FLORIDA and other sections in the Far South are probably the most disadvantageous regions for tuberous begonia growing. However, it is possible to have reasonable success if you take the trouble to start the tubers in sterilized soil in new containers and grow them on clean benches under glass or on a porch. Here, as elsewhere, shade and a humid atmosphere are essentials.

Whether you live in a warm or cool climate, it's best to start the tubers into growth in pots (usually indoors), to give them a jump on the season so they will yield a longer period of bloom. Mid to late March is a seasonable time to plant the tubers if late May is the period tender things (which tuberous begonias are) go outdoors in your locality. Where the outdoor planting season is earlier, you can advance the potting date to February, or even January.

If your tubers arrive early, it's best to hold them unpotted in a moderately cool temperature until pink sprouts appear, or you can hasten the growing process by placing the tubers in a warm light place. Pot them, one to a three- or four-inch pot (or in a flat if you've bought a quantity of tubers) in a mixture of one part each of loam, sand, humus and a little dehydrated manure and bone meal.

THE tubers should be planted—as their sprouts indicate—concave side up, and with their rims about level with the soil. Water the pots once well, then only moderately until the shoots start to grow. Then water whenever the soil starts to dry out, but never in such quantity or frequency that the soil stays soggy, because this will sour the soil and may rot the tubers.

At least two weeks in advance of planting your tuberous begonias outdoors, prepare the soil bed. So long as you give the bed good drainage—either by raising it a little above the ground level, or



by supplying several inches of cinders or other coarse material beneath—the soil needs only shallow preparation, because tuberous-rooted begonias are surface feeders.

Spade a good quantity of leaf mold and peatmoss (you can hardly add too much), plus a trowelful or two of well-rotted or dried manure per plant, into the top six or eight inches of soil. Sand can be added if the soil is heavy.

Even if you don't absorb this fact now, you will learn when you plant your tuberous-rooted begonias outdoors that they are very brittle and must be handled with care. Roots are easily broken or bruised. As a result, the young plants should be knocked out of the pots with care when you transplant them to the bed. Transplant before they reach blooming stage.

If, by mistake, you knock off a nice shoot in transplanting, dust the stub remaining on the tuber with charcoal, or expose it to the sunlight, so it will heal before rot sets in. Then root the broken shoot.

Carefully slice through the shoot just below a node or joint. Then strip the resulting cutting of all but the top two leaves, dust the base lightly with a hormone rooting powder, and stick it two-thirds deep into a rooting medium in a plant case. (This need be nothing more elaborate than a fishbowl half full of moist sand.) Roots should appear in about two weeks.

AS a matter of fact, starting plants from cuttings is well worth the effort; but should you decide to do it another year, it will pay you to order the largest size tubers because these often put out the most sprouts. Plants started either from tubers or cuttings should be grown indoors at 60 to 65 degrees for the best results, and gradually hardened off toward spring, either by fresh air from windows on mild days, or by transference to a partly shaded frame.

If growing begonias from tubers and cuttings whets your appetite, and you have a large garden bed to fill, why not try sowing seed? For best success you must do this not later than the middle of January.

A sterilized shallow bulb pan, filled to within an inch of the rim with finely sifted leafmold, makes a convenient container. Water by setting the pot in a shallow pan of water, both before sowing seed and at all times till seedlings are transplanted. In sowing, sprinkle the dust-fine seed on top of the moist soil; do not cover seed with soil, but place a small pane of glass over the top of the pot to retain the moisture. Gradually raise the glass to harden off the seedlings after they produce the third leaf. Transplant the tiny plants with the tip of a plant label into a flat or bulb pan of leafmold and sand, spacing them about an inch apart. When they are sizable, transplant them to individual pots.

THE appearance of the first buds outdoors is the sign to fertilize with a mulch of well-rotted or dried manure. If this is unavailable, use a small quantity of a complete fertilizer—a good-size pinch of it per plant; repeat every week or two.

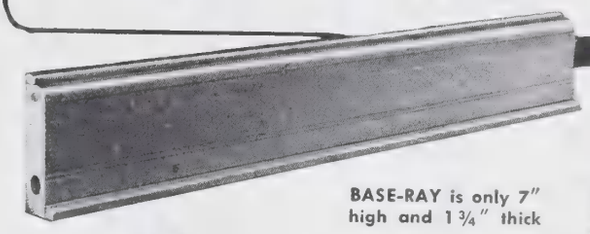
Tuberous begonias are bothered with pests but rarely. But it pays to watch for aphids, thrips, and mealybugs, and to treat promptly with nicotine when they appear.

Most experienced gardeners agree that it pays to hold tubers over winter for replanting. In fact, the same tubers can be used for as long as 20 successive years. Before digging, let frost catch the tops, or, if you live in a mild section, wait until leaves turn yellow.

Dig the tubers carefully, wash them free of soil, dry them in the sun for a week or more, then store in dry peat moss over winter at 50 degrees or warmer.



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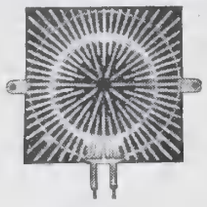
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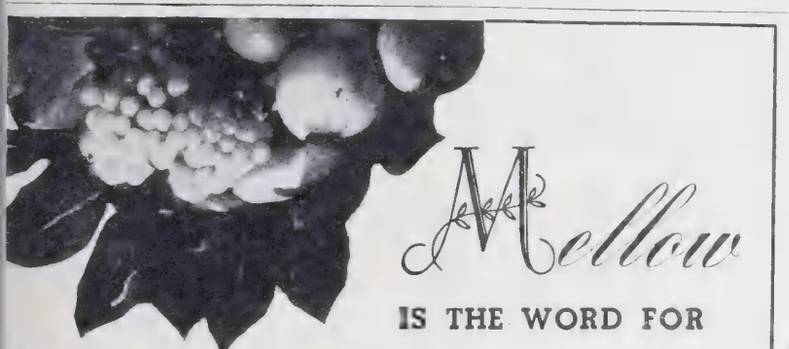


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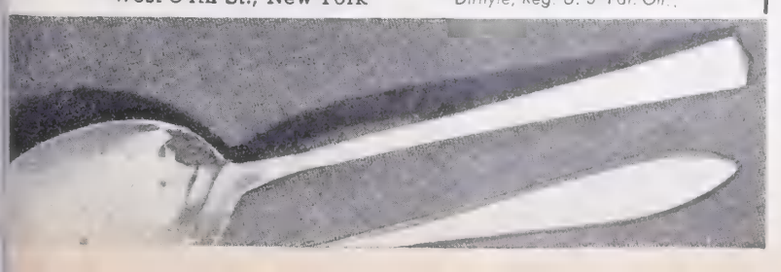
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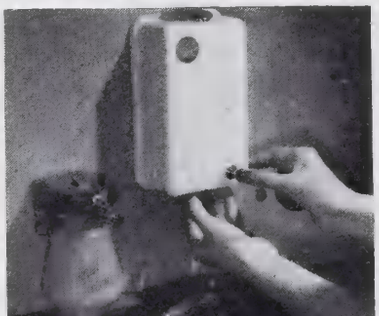
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By Julie Polshek

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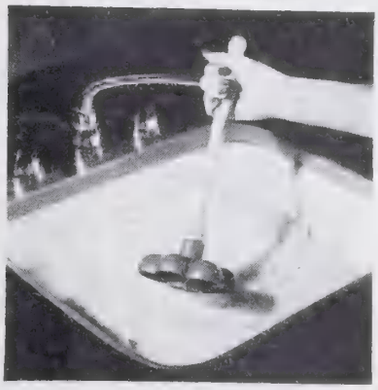


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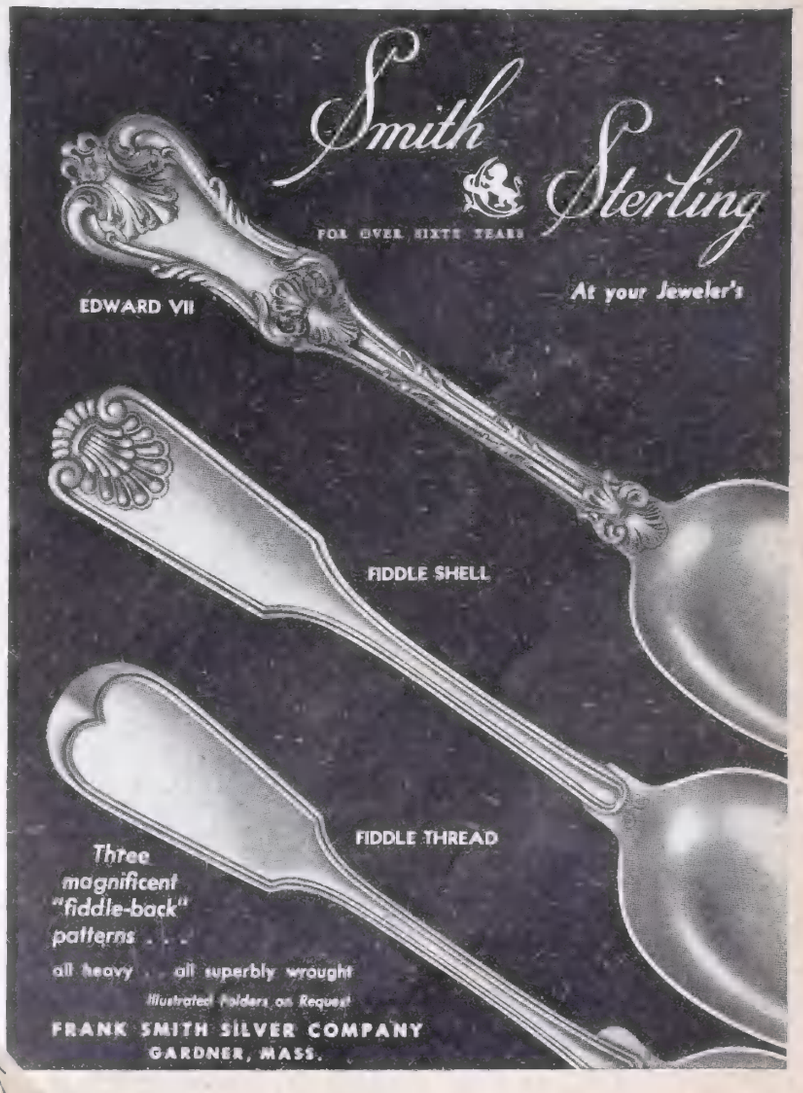
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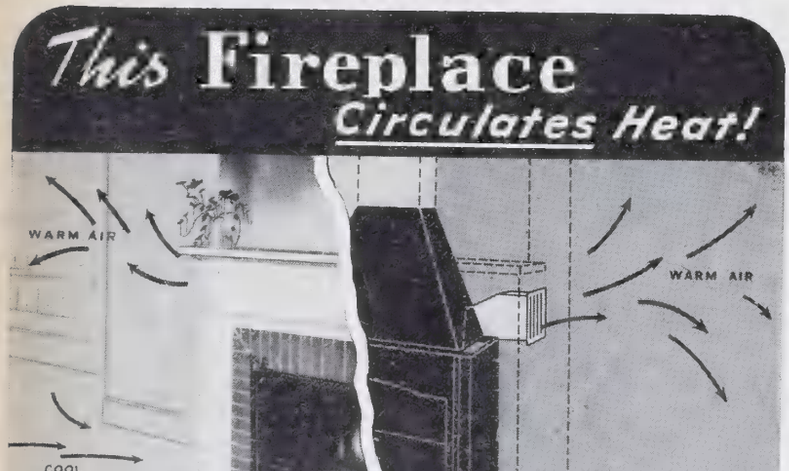
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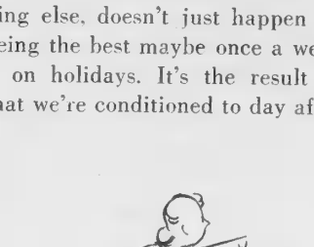
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tomato soup with sliced avocado floating on top takes on a festive appearance when ladled out of a charming soup tureen right at the table. The left-over hash and Harvard beets may not taste any different just because you put the hash into a ring mold, turn it out on a chop platter, and fill the center with the beets. But make no mistake, that little extra touch will raise your stock with the family, and you'll have that gratified feeling of having momentarily stepped out of the rut.

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We can just hear you mumbling, "But it's so much trouble to get out the sherbet glasses, the soup tureen, the Italian pottery salad plates, just for the family." But how much extra does it really add to meal-preparation time? Maybe five or ten minutes. You don't have to do it for every meal. But it's as important to expose the family to your best efforts as it is for guests. For it falls upon you to develop in them an appreciation of good food, a keen sense of discernment between poor, mediocre, excellent food, and a high standard of quality in service and preparation.

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Mushrooms and Eggs Bechamel
in Festive Ring*
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Cabbage Rose on Watercress*
Cheese Tea Biscuits
Chocolate Macaroon Parfait*
*Recipes given on page 109 and 110.

The fruit cocktail doesn't contain any hard-to-come-by ingredients, but it's put together in a professional way, and isn't just a jumble of cut-up fruit. The secret of an attractive fruit cup is to make a foundation of the cut-up fruit (the grapes, apples and juice in this case) and then to arrange your grapefruit and orange segments in a stylized pattern on top.

Next comes a molded cereal ring, made of commonplace farina.



Don't let that fact keep you from trying something really good with an unusual flavor derived from concentrated chicken or bouillon cubes, green pepper, and pimiento. Fill this colorful ring with mushrooms and eggs in a Bechamel sauce, and prove that humble fare can be truly delicious. Sliced half circles of cranberry jelly can be the surface prop to keep the platter from being too bland and white. And by all means include a green, green vegetable, which won't go limp when served: green peas are all right, but cook them with tiny pearl onions, for additional favor. Or broccoli would be nice, so long as you don't cook it until tired and brownish.

Salad ingredients are sometimes scarce in winter, but there is always the old standby, cabbage. Cabbage doesn't have to be the Plain Jane of the vegetable world, either. Give it a little more glamorous setting, and it will surprise you with its stature. We did it by the simple expedient of making a pretty tomato flower case to hold the grated cabbage, and serving the cabbage rose on a bed of brilliant green watercress.

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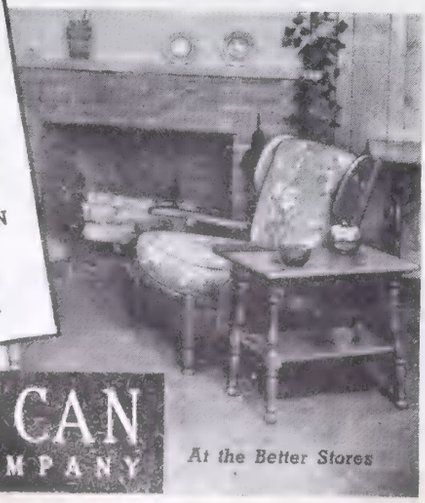
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By Julie Polshek

Rum Crumbles—a delectable fruitcake-like garnish for ice cream and all other garnishable desserts—are aptly named. For the pungent aroma of fine rum assails your nostrils the moment you unscrew the jar cap. And when you taste the moist crumbles, your palate *knows* they've been lavishly rum-steeped. Guernsey House concoct this unusual dessert topping of fine candied fruits, raisins, currants, real butter, sugar, spices, fresh country eggs and flour. Over the pungent crumbly concoction they pour fine Sherry and Myers Jamaica Rum—a jigger full to each 8-ounce jar! The result will lift the spirits of any pudding, custard, or ice cream. And try mixing it right into softened ice cream and refreezing the whole to its original consistency. Stumpp & Walter, 132 Church St., New York City, have it; $1.75 for the 8-oz. jar.

You can use Bridal Wreath Farms Salad Dressing "as is" to pungently dress salad greens à la vinaigrette. But French Dressing devotees will prefer to combmine it with olive or salad oil (1 part dressing to 3 parts oil) to make a French Dressing that will give real zest to any manner of green or mixed salad. It's a wonderfully aromatic mixture of herbed vinegars, herbs and spices—plus a just-right dash of that indispensable salad pepper-upper, garlic, to round out its spicy bouquet. And there's a mere suggestion of sweetening to take off the edge of the tartness. Don't pin it down to salad mixing. It's a perfect marinade for roasts, steaks, chops; and a tablespoon or two of the dressing in pot roast, stew, or red cabbage does something for them. A 12-oz. bottle is about $1, at B. Altman & Co., New York.

In Concha's Mexican Kitchen Cook Book. Catharine Stoker, resident of Old Mexico for 30 years, has compiled and adapted to American cookery methods, hundreds of delectable Mexican and Aztec recipes handed down through generations, plus stories of customs and holidays associated with these foods. $3, from Naylor Co., San Antonio, Tex.

A smooth, buttery hard sauce can make a dessert, especially a plum pudding, and especially when it's fortified with just enough imported brandy to give it impetus. Hoenshel's Brandied Hard Sauce is not new, but if you haven't already discovered it, you've missed a culinary bet. It's a fairly light sauce, which got that way undoubtedly from skillful, thorough creaming of the butter and sugar—one secret of successful hard sauce, and the reason why so many people make inferior ones. They just won't bother to cream the butter and sugar to feathery lightness. The 10-oz. jar is under 80¢, and you can count on its topping six puddings nicely—if your guests are polite and fairly well fed by dessert time. At B. Altman & Co., New York.

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recently when we made up a prepared chocolate pudding, added a few macaroons, and some whipped cream, froze it, and piled it into parfait glasses. Our guests begged for the recipe and were considerably deflated when informed that no fancy ingredients were in it. So just a word of warning: think twice before you reveal your cooking secrets. The simplicity of your devices may disappoint some of your guests.

Cranberry Fruit Cocktail

1 cup diced eating apples
1 cup white seedless grapes
1 cup Tokay grapes, seeded
Juice of 1 orange
1 cup cranberry juice cocktail
Segments of 3 oranges
1 can sweetened grapefruit segments
6 Maraschino cherries

Combine apples and grapes with orange and cranberry juices. Taste. Sweeten, if necessary. Chill. Combine orange and grapefruit segments in juice from grapefruit. Chill. When ready to serve, drain segments. Fill sherbet glasses or fruit compotes about half full of apples and grapes and juice. Then arrange oranges and grapefruit segments alternately on this foundation. Top with a cherry and a sprig of mint. Serves six.

Mushrooms and Eggs Bechamel

6 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 lb. mushrooms, sliced
6 tablespoons flour
1½ cups chicken stock
1½ cups rich top milk
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon grated onion
1 teaspoon lemon juice
8 hard boiled eggs, sliced
1 tablespoon white wine

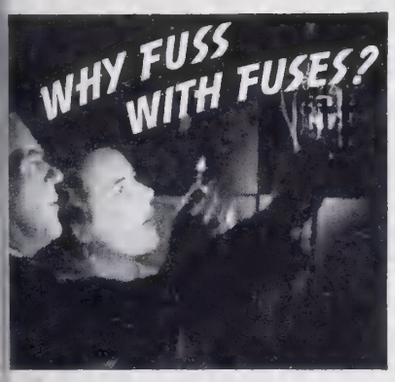
Melt butter in heavy skillet. Add sliced mushrooms and sauté lightly about 5 minutes. Blend in flour. Gradually add stock and cream, stirring constantly, and cooking until thick. Add salt, pepper, onion, lemon juice, and 2 sliced eggs. Cook a few minutes longer and just before removing from fire, add wine. Use remaining egg to decorate top of creamed mixture in ring. Serves six.

Festive Ring

4 cups milk
2 bay leaves
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
2 teaspoons chicken concentrate
1 cup quick-cooking farina
¼ cup minced green pepper
¼ cup minced pimiento

Heat milk 5 minutes with seasonings; remove bay leaves; add chicken concentrate and bring to boil. Add cereal slowly and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Cook about 5 minutes. Remove from heat, add green pepper and

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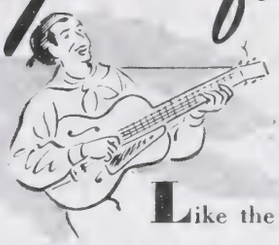
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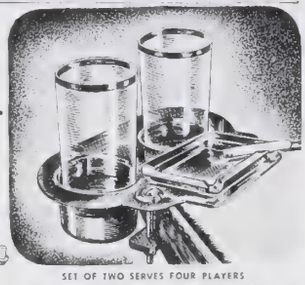
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pimiento, and mix well. Spoon mixture into a lightly greased ring mold; allow to set 5 minutes. Turn hot ring mold out on chop plate, and fill center with mushrooms and eggs Bechamel. Decorate ring with half circles of sliced cranberry jelly and parsley.

Cabbage Rose on Watercress

6 firm ripe tomatoes
4 cups grated cabbage
1 tablespoon grated onion
½ cup chopped celery
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
¾ cup thick sour cream
2 tablespoons Durkee's meat dressing
Sliced stuffed olives
1 head watercress

To make tomato flowers, place stem side down. With point of sharp knife, cut into skin ⅛ inch deep and cut down five petals to ½ inch of bottom. Insert knife in point of each petal and cut petal down away from pulp. Remove pulp. Fill with cabbage mixture. Put cabbage, grated onion and celery in large bowl. Mix well, and add salt and pepper. Combine sour cream and Durkee's dressing and pour over cabbage mixture. Pile cabbage into tomato cases. Top with sliced stuffed olives and rest on bed of watercress. (If watercress is not available locally, get together with several neighbors and order some directly from a grower in Martinsburg, West Virginia. The cost of 25 bunches is $3.75, and except during July and August, watercress will keep almost a week after arrival, if well refrigerated. Order direct from C. E. Dennis, Martinsburg, W. Virginia.

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1 package chocolate pudding
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 dozen macaroons, dried and crumbled
1 cup cream, whipped

Prepare pudding as directed on package, except use 2½ cups of milk, instead of 2 cups called for. When cool, add vanilla, and crumbled macaroons. Mix well. Put in refrigerator tray and freeze to mush. Then blend in whipped cream and freeze at coldest point about 1½ to 2 hours, stirring after about 20 minutes. Serve in parfait glasses, with a swirl of whipped cream and sprinkled nuts on top. Serves six.

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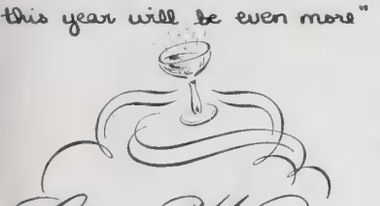
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Glass and Spode's "Fitzhugh" from Plummer, Ltd. Place setting is Gorham's "Fairfax" sterling pattern. Candlestick from Black Starr & Gorham, Inc. Cloth and napkins from Mosse.





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Table Setting No. 3

Glass and Spode's "Primrose" from Plummer, Ltd. Linen from Leron. Silver place setting is Wallace's "Grand Colonial" sterling pattern.

Table Setting No. 4

Dessert plate and dish from Mottahedeh & Sons. Silver is Wallace's "Grand Colonial" sterling pattern. Place mat from Mosse.

HOW TO EAT LIKE A KING

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than the variety which is frozen, the information indicating optimum maturity for freezing each product will be invaluable toward obtaining end-results of near perfection. If a vegetable has grown too slowly or is past the peak stage of best eating, freezing will not camouflage its poor texture and flavor. If fruits are frozen before they reach optimum maturity, the frozen product is likely to develop a bitter, almost acrid flavor and the texture may be hard and unpalatable. If fruits are past the optimum for freezing, they will become mushy and shapeless and will have an accentuated over-ripe flavor.

Avoid freezing vegetables when they are too old and starchy, or fruits when they are not quite ripe enough. For this reason, we caution those who are freezing foods to watch maturity closely, freeze the proper variety, and you will be assured of success at the outset, provided, of course, reliable preparation and packaging methods are carefully followed.



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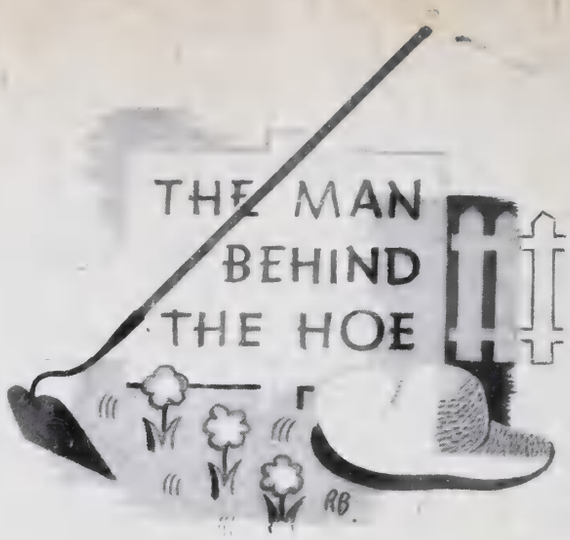
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We gardeners are a conservative folk who do not easily change our ways or turn with avidity to new varieties, even though it might be better for us to take an occasional chance. Knowing this, the mail-order seedsmen are themselves diffident about featuring new items in general in their catalogs. However, the current All-America medal winners, both vegetables and flowers, are an exception. They are often featured, having proved their worth in trials throughout the country.

The awards of this Council are not lightly given. They are based on reports from a dozen or more trial grounds in different areas, where honorary judges test new varieties without knowing who e tered them in the competitio Whether these judges have bee getting more critical, or wheth plant breeders were busy on oth work in wartime, the All-Ameri awards have been few in rece years. This is as true of the flow section, which has a different s of judges, as of the vegetable.

Among garden products that c be stored for winter, none li given so much satisfaction to many people—at least around o table—as the Butternut squash. is a small fruit, shaped like cylinder with a globular end, a the rich golden flesh is of ve fine flavor and smooth texture. Y will find it decidedly well wo growing this year if your gard has room to spare for the vin Although usually called a win squash, Butternut is a pumpkin a seems to be a variant of the Canada Crookneck, whose o fault was its awkward shape.

But who shall say what is pumpkin and what a squash? T terms are not applied on any ba of science or logic. Indeed, t are so loosely used that one varie the biggest one of all, is known some places as a pumpkin, K

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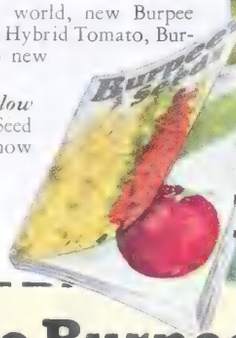
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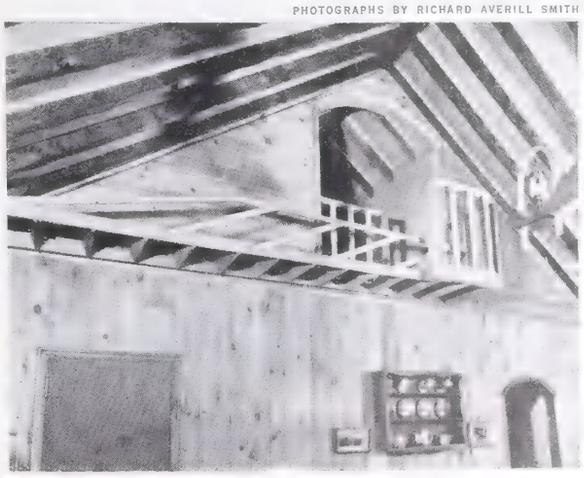
● Lowered, this ingenious ladder makes a steady, safe stairway for ascending to the "extra room" which Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hite have made from former rarely-used storage space under the eaves of their White Plains, New York, home

A LADDER MAKES AN EXTRA ROOM

Perhaps your house has an area under the eaves, ordinarily used only for occasional storage, which could be transformed into an extra room, given proper insulation against cold and heat, and wall and floor finishing. In the home shown here, such a room has been made easily accessible, without taking floor space from the living room below, by the simple expedient of building a ladder type stairway.

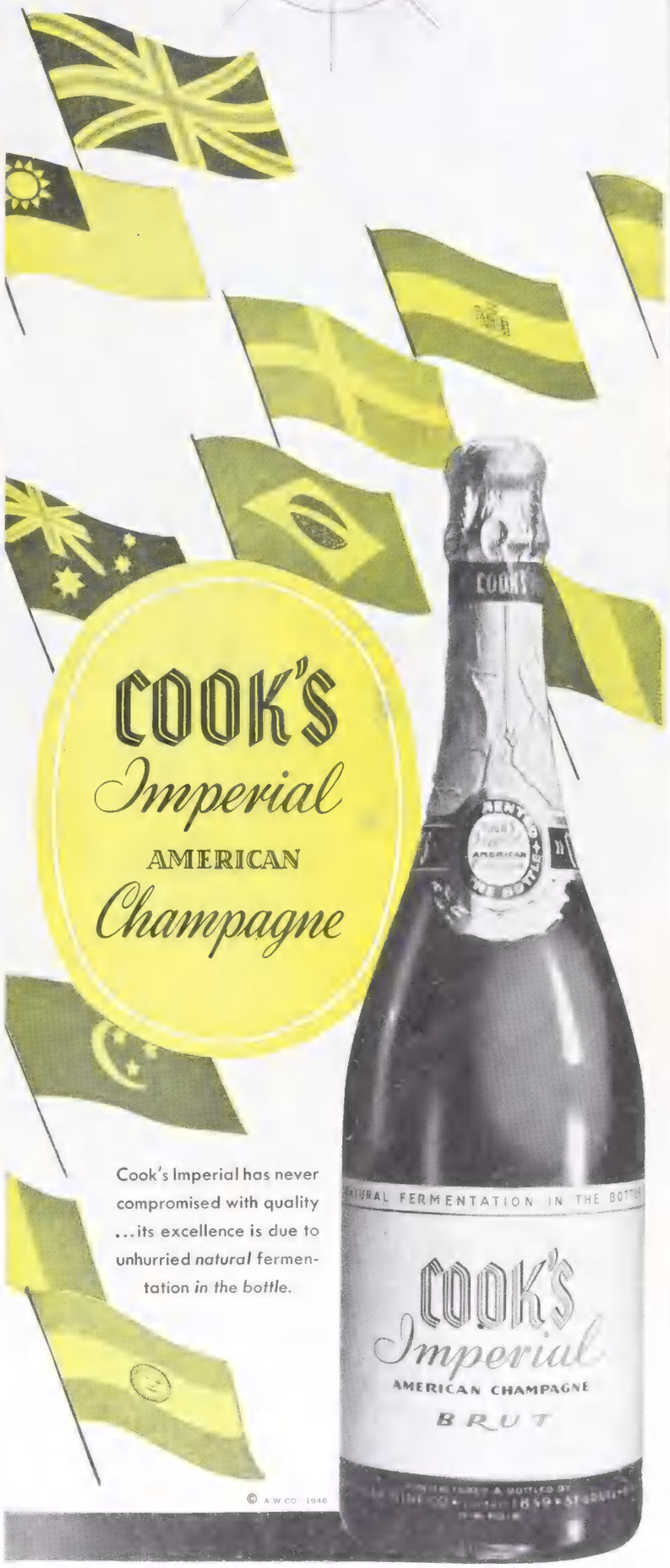
With a pulley contrivance, it works by means of weights which raise and lower it with the greatest of ease so that, daytimes, it can be kept up out of the way, takes no space from the living room floor.

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● Pulled up, the ladder takes no usable space from the room below it, is held securely by weights. The small railed balcony makes the entryway safe for anyone occupying the extra room, gives architectural interest to high-ceilinged living room

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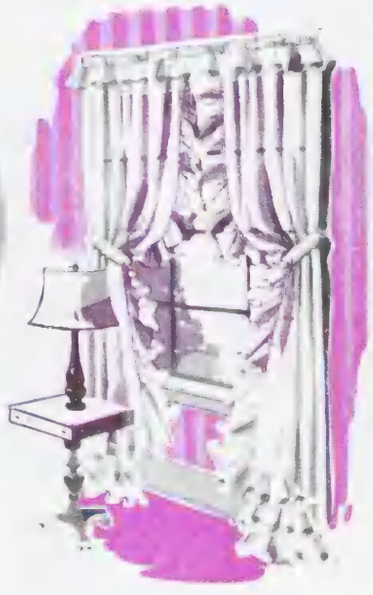
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● Odd pieces like this Victorian rosewood chest (once a sugar chest), oval mirror, and stiff hall chair that once held overshoes under the seat, become distinguished decorative assets when given their own special setting in a hallway. In the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Fitzgerald, Winnetka, Illinois.

ODD PIECES CAN GLAMORIZE ODD CORNERS

That piece which "doesn't seem to fit" in a room setting often can become a striking accent in hallway or corner

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● In the Beverly Hills home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Conway, a fine antique lavabo and chest give an interesting and decoratively important note to the stairway leading from living room to dining room, a spot that could so easily have been a neglected one. Interest is also carried upward by the use of the high-placed painting and a replica of the first train engine on ledge below it



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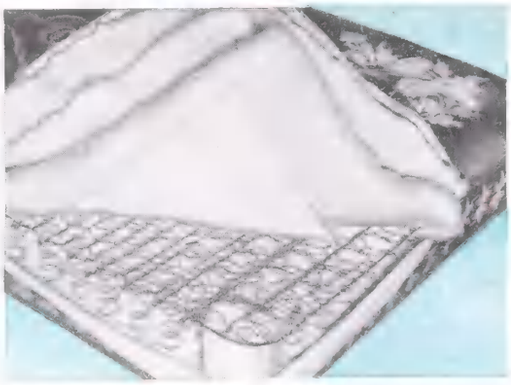




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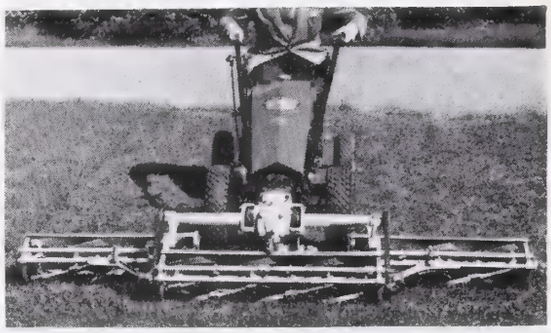
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● A mower attachment, with wings, that cuts a 75-inch swath makes it possible to mow as much as 1½ acres of grass an hour with the Gravely Tractor. One of many attachments—snowplow, rotary plow, etc.—mower measures 30 inches without wings. Tractor alone, around $310



● The 20-inch Whirlwind "Junior" has a rotary scythe that cuts grass of any height and trims close to trees and buildings, on both forward and backward travel. This hand-propelled machine weighs only 70 pounds and is the smallest Whirlwind mower. Price is under $185



● The 20-inch Eclipse "Rocket" is one of several Eclipse mowers, up to 30-inch cutting width. Has handy starting lever that makes rope unnecessary, and a throttle control to suit pace of operator. The price is around $125. A power-driven sharpening feature is an optional extra

You can easily decide for yourself whether it will pay you to invest in a power mower. Figure it like this

A little simple arithmetic will soon prove whether you can afford a power mower for your property.

Suppose you hire a man to cut your lawn during the season and the lawn cutting averages once a week for seven months, from April first to November first. This makes 28 mowings during the season, each taking, let us suppose, six hours by hand. If you pay your help $1.25 an hour, the figures for hand mowing would be as follows:

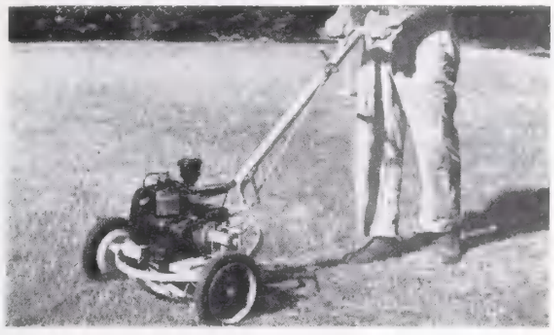
Mowings a year	28
Hours for each	6
Total hrs. a year	168
Cost per hour	$1.25
Labor per year for hand mowing	$210

By the most conservative estimates, we figure that a power mower will do the work in less than half the time. To be very generous, we will say two-thirds of the time. This would mean $140 in labor costs a season for mowing with a power mower. Subtracting the cost of labor for running a power mower from that of running a hand mower, we have:

Labor, hand mower	$210
Labor, power mower	140
Difference	$70

Thus $70 can be saved in a single year. In other words, if you buy a $140 power mower, and you have hired labor, the mower can amortize itself in labor in two years.

A power mower speeds up cutting in two ways. The blade shaft is wider—21 to 30 or more inches, as compared with 17 inches or so in a hand mower. It covers ground more rapidly—three miles per hour, as compared with a half mile by hand mower.



● The 21-inch Coldwell "Bear" is a light, well-balanced mower suitable for a medium-size property. It is capable of mowing two or three acres a day, and trims to within three inches of buildings and trees. Clutch disengages by merely lowering the handle. Priced about $175



● Weighing only 60 pounds, the Rumsey Electric mower is made of aluminum, and has a removable handle for quick transportation. Rotary steel blade will cut through tall grass and weeds, and both forward and backward. Machine costs about $105, cable included



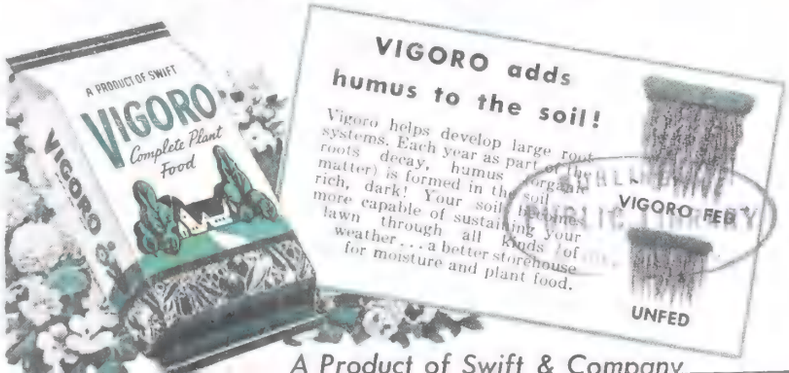
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Make cooking the art it really is. Make it creative, exciting adventuresome. It can be! Just as an artist creates subtle tones and shadings, and breath-taking colors by mixing his paints, so you can give your family's favorites subtle new taste shadings and palate zest, if you have the courage to adventure with condiments, spices, herbs, wines.

A perfect example of what we mean is white sauce—the basis of all creamed dishes. The blandness of white sauce, au *naturel*, is the reason most men rebel against creamed foods. Yet, men take like ducks to water to au gratin foods, which have as their foundation that very same white sauce—plus cheese. Why not follow through on this same reasoning? Play around with some of these tasty variations of creamed foods.

Try adding to the white sauce—for creaming vegetables, for making creamed soups—a pinch of dry mustard and a drop or two of Worcestershire sauce. Another time, vary it with a tablespoon of Parmesan cheese and a few drops of some white wine or rum. The latter isn't as mad as it may sound. Actually, it gives the sauce or soup a delightful zip. When creaming potatoes, after you have "doctored" the white sauce to suit your taste, add a generous sprinkling of chopped dry parsley leaves just before you take the finished dish off the stove. It's a nice addition.

And here's a way to make a cheese soufflé scintillate. Add to the white-sauce base about a half teaspoon of dry mustard and three or four drops of Worcestershire sauce. Then to the cooled soufflé base (just before the beaten egg whites are added) stir in about a quarter cup of chopped olives (preferably the stuffed variety).

Meats are another ideal field for flavor-adventuring. Once you try it, we think you will agree with garlic-lovers, for instance, that garlic is to meat what butter is to bread. We don't agree with the old saying that there is no such thing as a *little* garlic. It can be used so discreetly that it will hardly speak above a soft whisper. Practically any meat is that much better and more tender for having lolled before cooking (anywhere from an hour to several hours) in a marinade of olive oil and vinegar (preferably a herb vinegar) to which a cut-up clove of garlic has been added. Even steaks and chops are improved by the treatment.

For stew meats, try adding about a quarter or half cup of wine. Traditionally, red wines belong with red meats and white wines with white meats. But lacking red wine

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METAL SINKS

How to Care for Metal Sinks

Manufacturers contend that water spots on Monel metal and stainless-steel sinks result because the sink is not wiped dry with a soft cloth after washing and rinsing. Actually, one virtue of metal sinks is easy cleanability. Here are a few more simple precautions which help keep metal sinks in shipshape condition: Never use abrasive cleaners or steel wool. Protect the counter with a mat when it is used as a work surface. Don't worry about scratches resulting from normal daily use; they gradually build up a burnished patina. Milk is the one food that may stain Monel metal, so wipe it up immediately.



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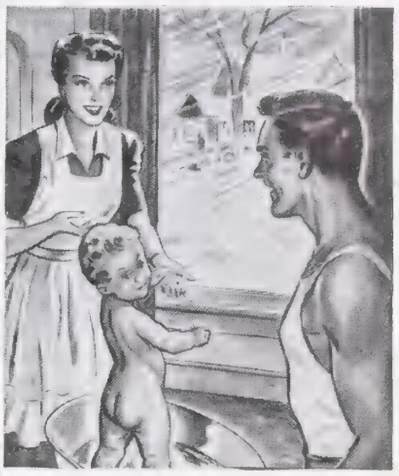
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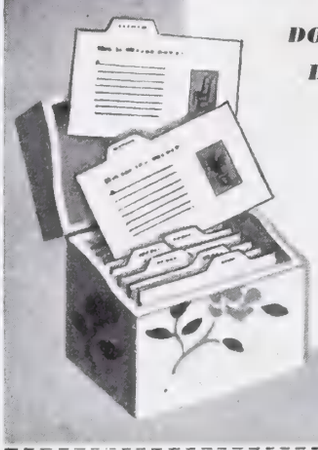
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METAL SINKS

Soap-and-water washing is usually adequate to keep a metal sink clean and shining. However, if the surface becomes discolored or spotted from water, or otherwise stained, scour with a non-abrasive powder, such as Bon-Ami. If the sink is badly spotted or stained, scour with a paste made by wetting Fuller's earth with household ammonia. Weekly cleaning with this ammonia paste helps prevent discoloration and maintain the original luster of the metal. With all of these cleaning procedures, rinse the surface thoroughly and *wipe with a soft dry cloth.*

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white wine can be used with beef and vice versa. Or wine, or a herb or garlic vinegar, can be used alone as a marinade. The marinade, in any instance, can be added to the stew after the meat has been browned and the pot is a-boiling.

Lamb stew reacts like a charm to herbing capers. Try a pinch (no more) of each of three or four kinds of herbs, for instance, as a starter: thyme, marjoram, sage, and bayleaf. A thick slice of lemon, rind and all, is an almost indispensable flavor enhancer in lamb stew, plus a clove of garlic, a couple of slices of onion, some celery leaves and a generous helping of dried or fresh parsley leaves. If you want to try other herb-spice combinations, you can alternate with celery seed, cloves, basil. There's no end to the combination possibilities, and lamb stew seems to be compatible with them all. Whatever the combination, the flavorings all merge into a subtle taste treat and aroma when the finished stew comes to the table.

Have you ever tried a small amount of tomato paste to pep up the gravy of a pot roast or brown stew? It's good!

IN THE this-and-that department, here are some thoughts that will doubtless germinate others once you try them out: a tablespoon of sherry or other white wine sprinkled over the filling of an apple pie; lime juice and/or Worcestershire sauce and celery salt in tomato juice; lime juice and white wine and a little sugar in fruit cup; a touch of thyme in tomatoes, be they stewed, baked, or what-have-you; . . . a drop or two of vanilla extract and a spoonful of strong coffee in cocoa to sharpen its flavor; a pinch of sugar in the water in which peas or carrots are cooked (and see what a smidge of dried parsley or mint leaves will do, too); lemon or lime juice and a pinch of ground ginger in apple sauce; a squeeze of lemon juice on sautéed liver, just before it comes out of the skillet; Parmesan cheese sprinkled over veal cutlets during the last 15 or 20 minutes of cooking, or mixed with the crumbs used for breading; a little dill in vinegared cucumbers; a dash of Worcestershire sauce in French dressing; a sparse sprinkling of dry mustard in the flour used to dredge scalloped potatoes; caraway seeds sprinkled on pork roast; a touch of coffee in chocolate desserts.

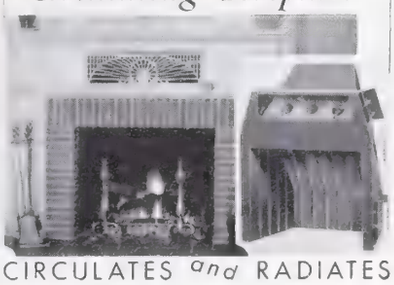


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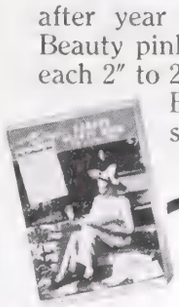
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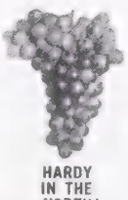
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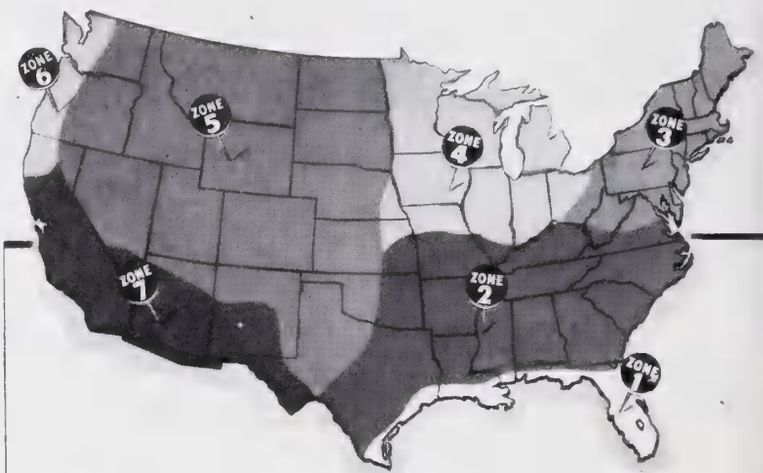
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THIS year's All-America annuals number four—two petunias, one snapdragon, and one marigold.

Petunia "Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower," winner of the highest All-America award, the silver medal, is a truly salmon-pink double, most attractive in the garden, as anyone who has seen it will agree. It is excellent for cutting, according to W. Ray Hastings, chairman of All-America Selections. It has been customary in the past for gardeners to grow most double petunias from cuttings, but trials have shown that the Mrs. Eisenhower petunia "comes true" from seed both in doubleness and in color.

Another all-double, true-from-seed petunia, "Rose Marie," winner of the bronze medal, will suit gardens whose color scheme runs to the more conventional blue-pink tones of most pink petunias. (And if you are at all color-conscious, you will avoid putting these two new prize-winning double petunias side by side.) Both varieties have full bushy plants which add to their landscaping effectiveness.

The All-America winner that stands out most in our memory, from a view of the 1947 trials two summers ago, is snapdragon "Velvet Giant," which was awarded a bronze medal. The flower is a velvety crimson warmed by an undertone of orange-bronze and the plant is sturdy, bearing from six to twelve spikes of flowers.

French marigold "Naughty Marietta," which received honorable

mention, has a one-foot tall mound-shaped plant and flowers of a size that are charming in even the smallest garden. The single flowers are a rich golden yellow with maroon blotches toward the center.

We wonder if any other horticultural groups as young as the Portland Chrysanthemum Society, founded only six years ago, have inaugurated test gardens in their communities. The fall quarterly of this society reports that its tests last year, on the campus of the Lewis and Clark College, included 782 plants, 128 named varieties, and 180 plants raised from seed. Each bed was planted by and under the care of a member.

The Portland Chrysanthemum Society was an outgrowth of Portland's first chrysanthemum show in 1938. It has held a show every year since and, through this and its test garden, hopes to develop new chrysanthemum enthusiasts as well as to give its members a chance to swap information at first hand. According to the report on the trial garden, results of the first year have been most gratifying, with visitors numbering in the hundreds, and with great enthusiasm shown by the members.

A gardener transported to another section of the country can feel pretty lost. We experienced this unhappy state of mind, along with the majority of a group of 500 nurserymen at their annual convention in Miami Beach last season. Many of us wandered listlessly around the hotel grounds, recognizing not one plant except crotons and oleanders. These, in our experience, are greenhouse plants anyway and not really a part of our lives up North.

Imagine our joy, then, to come suddenly face to face with an ordinary American elderberry! We spotted one growing rather luxuriantly, though unobtrusively, with several strictly southern shrubs, and it immediately made us feel right at home in Florida. A little of the Florida fauna was familiar, too, though it gave us a start to see cardinals in palm trees instead of in conifers, and squirrels stealing avocados instead of walnuts. (A resident informed us that the squirrels discard the flesh of the avocado and eat, of course, the nut.)

One of the plants we enjoyed very much in Florida was the little Liriope or turflily, because we saw it there in sufficient quantity to make a ground cover and an edger. This plant has been growing in our garden up North for three years now, but, because it is a novelty that entrances visitors, frequent diggings have prevented our Liriope from spreading enough to be other than a single large specimen.

Our observations and those of the garden friend who presented us with our plant, indicate that Liriope is perfectly hardy as far north as northern New Jersey, or 30 miles west of New York City. We believe that this southern introduction (originally from China and Japan) is a very valuable addition to northern gardens. Its grass-like evergreen foliage is crisp and spruce even when rhododendron and pachysandra leaves curl up from the cold. In our garden last season it put out spikes of lavender flowers for about a month, from the end of August through the greater part of September. Flowers are followed by green berries that turn a shiny black.

It's fun to try a new house plant, especially if it's as adaptable and novel as Oxalis ortgiesi. Not "in the trade" so far as we know, our original plant was a gift at one of the New York Botanical Garden's "Member Days" two years ago.

The leaves of this oxalis are a rich olive green, with backs netted with veins of a rosy purple, which also colors the stems. Characteristic of the oxalis family, the leaves fold up and "go to sleep" at night. Small clusters of yellow flowers, standing two inches or more above the foliage, have such a decided appeal to our cat's palate that the plant is usually without its flowers indoors in the fall, though they appear on the plant when it is still outdoors in September.

The culture of this oxalis is easy. Sun or shade, warm or cool temperature, it seems to thrive anywhere indoors, or anywhere outdoors in the summertime. It can be easily increased, too, rooting readily even from pieces stuck haphazardly in the soil or from a layered branch. Its only disadvantage as a house plant: foliage appears so high on the stem that the plant looks somewhat leggy.

Have you found that English ivy winterkills or fails to thrive in

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beautiful, new flowers!

You've looked to Wayside many a year for the newest varieties — the hardiest plants. This year we have a special treat for gardeners who enjoy the extra thrill of growing the newer, better things. Many new plants developed during the war are now in full production — ready to make 1947 a truly interesting garden year for you. Here are just a few of these choice items:

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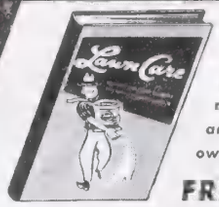
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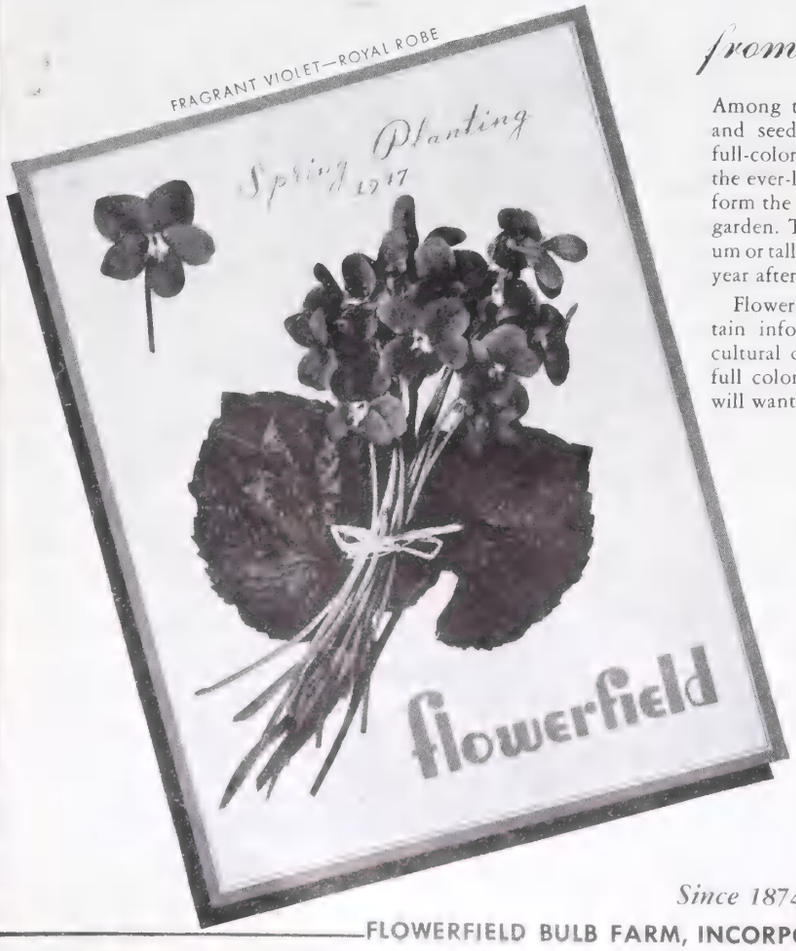
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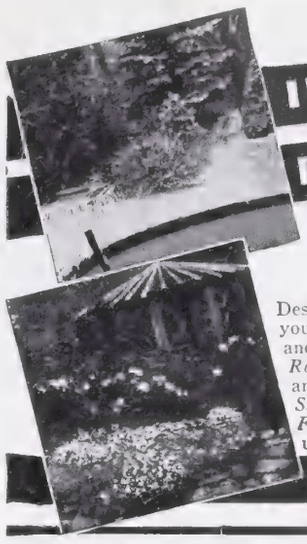
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your garden? If you live in the Northeast perhaps the blame shouldn't fall entirely on the climate. Perhaps the soil is partly at fault. English ivy grows luxuriantly in alkaline soil regions of the Middle West and England. So why not test the soil in which your ivy is growing and add sufficient limestone to a section of the bed to bring it up to an alkaline reaction? Then you can compare the difference in growth of ivy on alkaline soil and in acid soil in the untouched part of the bed.

If you live in a limestone region, such as the Middle West, you can still have handsome broadleaf evergreens without fussing with rhododendrons that require acid soil. Mr. Henry Fletcher Kenney, our able guide around Cincinnati last summer, proved this to us in some of the handsome plantings he has done there.

The winter creepers—Euonymus patens and E. vegetus—are handsome in Ohio and, apparently, need far less attention to scale control than in the East. The hollies, both the familiar native Ilex glabra and the oriental types do well, too. Cincinnati is far enough south for Magnolia grandiflora. Magnolia glauca is also very handsome used near houses, even if it is not entirely evergreen in this area.

And, speaking of *Magnolia glauca*, the sweet bay, we were glad to discover that gardeners in the Middle West and the Far South treasure this native tree as much as we do in the Northeast. It particularly pleased us to have some Florida gardeners point with pride to their *Magnolia glauca* growing in the midst of spectacular exotics. Sterling qualities and a fine personality, it would seem, are appreciated everywhere in plants—as in people.

Magnolia glauca is a small tree (or large shrub) to plant within view of your porch or terrace, as a friend of ours has done, so that you can enjoy its year-round beauty of form and the silver lining of its leaves that shows when the wind blows. Be sure that one is near enough to the house so the fragrance of the cream-colored flowers will drift in the window, and so the red berries that follow will drop on their silken cords within easy view. Flowers appear for as long a period as any woody plant we know—abundantly in spring and sparingly throughout the summer.

Many a gardener has decided against planting an oak tree because it is so slow-growing. You needn't hesitate on this score any longer according to Mr. August P. Beilmann's report in a recent issue of the American Nurseyman magazine. Sixteen years' experimental work at the Missouri Botanical Garden Arboretum, Gray Summit, Missouri, has shown that, with a good fertilization program, oaks and other usually slow-growing trees will grow as rapidly as elms and sycamores. Another fact Mr. Beilmann noted was that well-fed shade trees were not slowed down much by dry seasons.

The tree fertilizing experiment is still in progress but, to date, 2½ pounds of 10-8-6 fertilizer a year has proved an extremely good, and also safe, diet for the average tree. This increased the annual twig growth of some poor pin oaks from two inches a season to about 3½ inches. In successive years of feeding, twigs put on about 11 inches of growth each year!

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Our own railroad-station grounds boasts some fine plants, inherited from the lush days of the Twenties and apparently chosen by someone who was aware of their winter hardiness, if not of their survival of neglect. Two handsome columnar oaks, *Quercus robur fastigiata*, are the high points of the planting. Several Japanese hollies *(Ilex crenata)* are really luxuriant, and mahonias *(M. aquifolium)*, though they occasionally die back at the tips in the winter. Among the deciduous shrubs, lilacs, smokebush, honeysuckles, and barberry, though a bit overgrown, have stood up well.

Least satisfactory have been the junipers and retinosporas, though part of the fault may be their use around the building foundation, an area that serves as a hide-out for small boys playing guerilla warfare.

What delights us most on the station grounds is the strip of polyantha rose bushes that bloom valiantly every year, even when half smothered with crabgrass and with no visible sign of care.

THE MAN BEHIND THE HOE

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of the Mammoths, and in others as a squash, Mammoth Chile. The old story goes that a lady was quizzing her gardener on the points of difference between pumpkin and squash. "All I can tell you, ma'am," he said, "is that you throw it up pumpkin and it comes down squash!"

Are you among the none-too-small group who refuses to grow—or eat—the parsnip? My guess is that the fault lies not in the vegetable itself, but in its cooking. You can't be blamed for rebelling if it comes to the table as a side dish in long quarters, flabby and watery. But have you tried the delicious results when it is finished brown in the pan with any roasting joint; or boiled, mashed, beaten with eggs, and then fried in cakes on the griddle; or boiled, sliced, dipped in batter, and French fried? Or—but you can guess other recipes if you remember that the parsnip is almost the equal of the more popular sweet potato.

It is curious that, of all the vegetables commonly grown in our gardens, not one is native to North America (though corn and other vegetables presumably originated south of the border). The misnamed Jerusalem artichoke is one of the few cultivated survivors (and not a popular one) of the leaves, seeds, roots, and fruits of many wild plants eaten by the Indians. Propagated by cut roots, it can be useful in the garden as a tall screen, but must be kept in check each season, as it tends to spread rapidly.

The tubers of the Jerusalem artichoke vary from large to small, but are roughly about the size of potatoes, knobby on the outside, less firm in texture, and devoid of starch, which makes them valuable in certain diets. The French appreciate them much more highly than we do, and several tempting recipes can be found in any good French cook-book. Their flavor is

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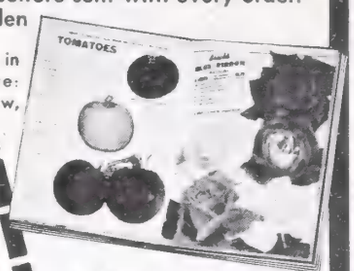
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faintly reminiscent of artichokes, as Samuel Champlain noted when he was given some to eat by Indians at Cape Cod in 1604—hence one part of their name. The other part seems to have come from their being cried by vendors in London as Ter Neuzen artichokes, from the name of the place in Holland where they were grown for the English market. As might be expected, this soon slid into the more familiar word Jerusalem. An older and less probable derivation is from their French name, *girasole*.



Another vegetable that makes a valuable garden screen, as well as a good addition to the table, is the runner bean, a staple of English gardens. It was once popular in America, too. Possibly it fell from favor here because of its needing a trellis or some other support. (The same reason for pole beans' loss of popularity.) But in small gardens, particularly, where maximum yield per square foot is wanted, the trouble of poling is well justified by the plentiful pods from three vigorous plants per pole.

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WORK THE EASY WAY

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If you buy a good sprayer, besides lasting a good many years and saving you the expense of investing often, it will cut down on another time-consuming operation—that of frequent cleaning. An apparatus of non-corrosive metal need not be cleaned after every using, except when it is used for DDT oil-base spray or a weed killer. In the latter case it is better to use a special sprayer (carefully marked) to avoid harming plants with residues left in a sprayer.

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Have you 100 feet or more of hedge? Then it will pay you to invest in an electric hedge trimmer. A hedge 100 feet long and 3 feet wide, that takes five or six hours to trim by hand shears, can be done in an hour or an hour-and-a half with an electric trimmer—five times faster. Other advantages to an electric tool: doesn't tire the wrist; the electric outlet has many other uses—for electric atomizers for mosquito control, for garden illumination, for electric drills for feeding trees (for rent for $1 from firms selling the fertilizer).

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If you invest in new garden equipment this year, it will pay you to sharpen and clean your tools often. They'll give you better service and last longer.



GROW THE EASY FLOWERS

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Zones 1 (Florida and the Gulf ip) and 7 (California) can grow ny plants not found elsewhere the United States. If you live one of these sections, you can nsider using the following plants t need little tending, in addition those listed in the table on pages and 81.

For Zone 1—Florida and the Gulf strip

ring-blooming perennials:

gonia—2′ to 3′, various.

rdinals Guard (*Pachystachys coccinea*)—5′, red, sun or semi-shade.

nger lily (*Hedychium coronarium*)—4′ to 6′, white, shade.

praea—3′, white, sun or broken nade.

ntas (*P. lanceolata*)—2′, white, inks, sun or broken shade.

ge, blue (*Salvia* species)—3′. lue, sun for best blossoms.

rbena (*Verbena hortensis*)—1′ arious.

delia (*W. trilobata*)—1′, yelw, sun for best flowers.

nmer-blooming perennials:

dinals Guard (*Pachystachys occinea*)—5′, red.

ticia—5′, shades of pink, red, range, sun or semi-shade.

iwinkle (*Vinca rosea*)—2′, hite, rose, full sun.

imp plant (*Beloperone guttata*) -3′, coppery-red bracts, sun.

-blooming perennials:

r, climbing (*Aster caroliniana*) -8′, light lilac or lavender, naive.

l vine (*Antigonon leptopus*)—ne, rose-pink, full sun.

ss-turban (*Clerodendrum sihonanthus*)—2′-8′, blue-red, ll sun.

Annuals that self-sow:

African daisy, blue-eyed (*Arctotis stoechadifolia—A. grandis* in seed catalogs)—2′, white with blue eye.

Cypress vine (*Quamoclit pennata*)—6′ vine, red and shades of pink.

Floss flower (*Ageratum conyzoides*)—6″-2′, shades of blue, occasionally white and pink. Sometimes perennial, in southern Florida.

Marigold (*Tagetes*)—1-2½′, lemon to orange yellow.

Phlox, Drummond—1½′, various.

Toad flax, Moroccan (*Linaria moroccana*)—1′-1½′, various.

Verbena—1′, various. Often a perennial. Moss verbena (*V. renoides*) particularly good as a carefree annual.

Zinnia—1½′-2½′, various, self-sows (but usually colors are poor).

Spring bulbs:

Amaryllis, belladonna (*Hippeastrum puniceum*)—1½′, salmon-red, persistent in light soils.

Amaryllis, Barbados (*H. vittatum*)—2′, deep red striped with white.

Amaryllis, hybrid (*H. hybridum*)—2′, various.

Lily, climbing glory (*Gloriosa rothschildiana*)—6′, red and yellow.

Montbretia (*Tritonia*)—1½′-2½′, shades of yellow and red.

Zephyranthes—4″-8″, shades of pink or white.

Summer bulbs:

Caladium—1½′ to 2′, leaf patterns in rose, red, and white.

Crinum—2½′ to 4′, various, white, pink, striped.

Lily, Malabar glory (*Gloriosa superba*)—6′, red and yellow.

Lily, spider (*Hymenocallis*)—2′ to

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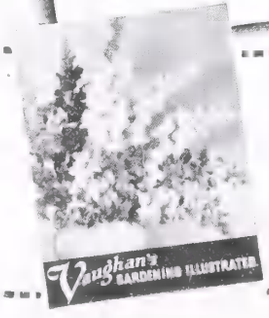
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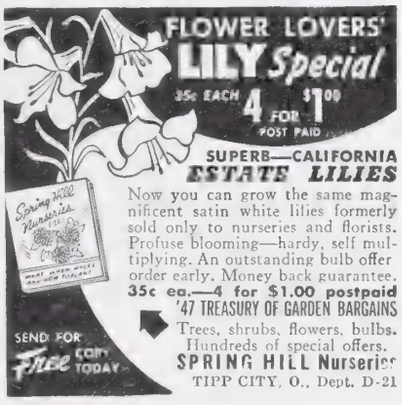
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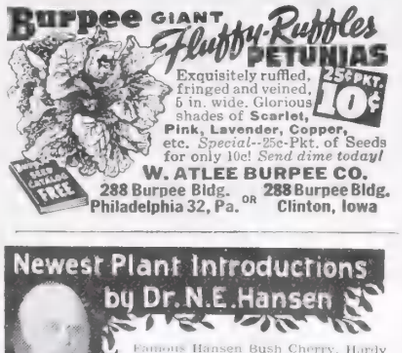
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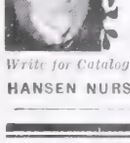
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Lycoris (*L. radiata*)—2′, pink.
Tuberose (*Polianthes tuberosa*)—3½′, white.

For Zone 7—California and the Southwest

Spring-blooming perennials:
Balsam, garden (*Impatiens sultani*)—2′, reds and white, shade.
Gazania hybrids—1′, yellow, orange, dark maroon.
Transvaal daisy (*Gerbera jamesoni*)—1½′, pastel tones of red and yellow.

Summer-blooming perennials:
Acanthus (*A. mollis*)—8″, pink, shade.
Carnations—named varieties, 2′, various.
Felicia, blue (*Agathaea caelestis*)—2′, blue, yellow center.
Mesembryanthemum—prostrate to 3′, according to species, sun.
Rehmannia (*R. angulata*)—4′, bright purple or white.

Fall-blooming perennials:
Begonias—2 to 3′, various.
Sage (*Salvia farinacea*)—1½′ to 3′, light blue.
Snowgarland (*Francoa ramosa*)—3′, pure white, some shade.

Annuals that self-sow:
Cineraria—1′ to 4′, various.
Nemesia—1′ to 1½′, orange, blue, rose.
Primrose, baby (*Primula malacoides*)—1′, lavender, pink, white.

Spring bulbs:
Freesia—1′ to 1½′, several.
Glory-of-the-snow (*Leucocoryne*)—1′, white, blue.
Ixia—1′-2′, various.
Sparaxis—6″-8″, various.
Tritonia (*T. crocata*)—10″, orange, red, purple.

Summer bulbs:
Amaryllis, belladonna (*Hippeastrum puniceum*)—1½′, salmon.
Lapeyrousia—6″ to 10″, blue, red.

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Zone 1—Florida and the Gulf strip

Our Florida consultant writes: "It is almost impossible to find laborers at any price, certainly not less than 60 cents an hour the season." He quotes these figures:

Skilled gardener—$1 per hour, $8 per day, $40 per week. May have bonus or house furnished which brings the total wage to about $50 per week. This is for top negroes.

Unskilled gardener: 60 cents per hour, $4.80 to $5 per day. If on weekly basis, they serve as domestic help or grove caretakers and are furnished a house. The itinerant one-day-a-week yardmen are older negroes. Younger men get 75 cents per hour.

Garden contractors are something of a rarity, but one of Florida's large display gardens receives $10 per hour. A garden contractor is equipped to quote long-term prices of garden upkeep and will take entire charge of a property, assigning trained men to work and usually supplying the tools.

Zone 2—The South

Here, too, according to our reporter in the South, "The skilled gardener is almost non-existent." He adds that a few trained men are available for $2.400 per year. Unskilled get not over 65 cents per hour. There are few contractors.

Zone 3—The Northeast

As in other parts of the East, the garden labor situation is a big headache. As would be expected, prices are higher than in the South:

Skilled gardener—$1.25 to $2 per hour; $6 to $9 per day; $40 to $75 per week.

Unskilled gardener—75 cents to $1.50 per hour; $4 to $6 per day; $30 to $40 per week.

"Garden contractors do operate specially in the suburban areas here gardening is a general practice," our consultant from the orthern states writes. "This practice is more common during the ring months—March, April, and lay. The rates for this sort of ork vary, depending on the size f the property and on the amount work required. Figuring the uipment (hand and machine ols—power lawnmower, tractor, c.) and a man, it would be approximately $3.50 to $4 per hour. here the area is large, work may done on the acre basis. Lawn tting is usually done on the urly basis, or per square foot."

one 4—The Middle West

Garden labor in the Midwest is out the same as Northeast:

Skilled gardener—$6 to $7.50 r day; $45 to $50 per week.

Unskilled gardener, or day labor—65 to 85 cents per hour; $5 $7 a day; $30 to $40 a week.

Garden contractors do operate the Midwest, and a maintenance fee of $50 per month usuy covers the cost of tending an erage size garden. Hand mowg is $1.50 per hour; power, $5.

one 5—The Rocky Moun-in States & Great Plain

"Labor costs are indefinite and headache," says the West:

Ordinary labor is paid about cents an hour, $1 in an emerncy. A pseudo-skilled man gets to $1.25. Tree trimmers genlly start at $1.25 an hour, often ting more. Contracting for lawn intenance is quite common here: prevailing rate is $10 per 25-t lot per month to water and w the lawn; $5 to $7 per ordiry yard for one mowing is not common, $1.50 to $2 per hour."

ne 6—The Northwest

From this section we learn that: killed gardeners are practically n-existent, and at the present e most of the work is done by skilled or semi-skilled labor, orized in small crews of from 3 12 men. The minimum wage for gardener' is from $1.10 to $1.50 hour.

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ne 7—California and e Southwest

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plant, and place them where they can grow freely and naturally. You will save hours of work later and have a more attractive garden.

A free-growing shrub, you will notice, grows much larger than the same species clipped. If yours is a small garden and lacks room for a shrub boundary to give adequate privacy, use instead a simple fence or wall for your informal, low-maintenance garden. It should be made of materials that will suit the design and construction of your house, and can be softened with vines or shrubs.

The "man-made" formal style calls for level areas. This means that, where there is a slope, you may have to build several breaks in level. These are usually held up by retaining walls which are incorporated into the geometrical pattern of the area. Every time you break an area into two levels you create extra lawn edges to trim and a low edge or hedging on the bed to keep in order. The informal garden, on the other hand, has sweeping natural contours that tie in with the smooth, gliding curves and make retaining walls superfluous. Less maintenance? Certainly!

ANOTHER element you will notice in formal gardens is the pairing of specimen shrubs. In fact, these are often found as accents at the house entrance of an otherwise informal property. Such a planting always requires extra care, because you have to prune or clip the specimens to match in size and shape. If you have a completely informal garden, it should have balance, but this will be occult or asymmetrical such as that found in a Japanese type of flower arrangement. Compare the plans on page 75, and you will see the difference.

The well-groomed formal garden has endless edges and hedges to be kept neatly trimmed, but that isn't all. The types of flowers that are most appropriate and are generally planted in a formal garden also require a maximum of care if they are to look well. A formal rose garden is a lot of work. Worth it? Maybe. But if low maintenance is vital don't plant a formal rose garden. Grow your roses in an informal manner, using varieties that sprawl or climb and drape becomingly. Beds of tulips in the

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(*baltica*), Bunchleaf (*conglomerata*), Scallopleaf (*crenata*), Heartleaf (*deltoidea*), Fingerleaf (*digitata*), *erecta*, Irish (*hibernica*) and Footleaf (*pedata*). In sections where scale is a problem on *Euonymus radicans*, plant the Smaller (*minima*) variety, which is less subject to this insect pest.

There, are, obviously, extreme conditions under which even English ivy can not survive. Perhaps the ideal thing to do here is to pave the floor of such an area with irregular uncemented flagstones.

IF a semi-pavement in the area is not possible, then you have one more thing to try. The Japanese honeysuckle vine, which carpets many roadsides and sometimes turns the woods into a jungle, usually has sufficient vigor to grow anywhere. Where it has become a pest, many gardeners today are gleefully "murdering" this vine with spray containing 2, 4-D. They have been struggling against its vigor for so long that they fail to realize its value and its attractiveness, particularly when civilized.

To civilize a Japanese honeysuckle withhold all fertilizer. Almost any soil will have enough to nourish such a vigorous plant. Secondly, mow it with a "golf-swing" sickle about once a month to keep it trimmed and fairly formal in appearance.

ENGLISH ivy, pachysandra, myrtle and wintercreeper (*Euonymus radicans* and varieties) all need more encouragement to get started than does Japanese honeysuckle.

You better plan on at least two years for any one of these to make a good covering. You may start the planting from bought plants or from runners gathered from the yard of a generous neighbor. Individual leaf nodes, or stem sections, containing leaves and a cluster of roots, may be planted and where from 4 to 14 inches apart. (In the case of wintercreeper, 1½ feet is close enough for plants.)

If plants are widely spaced, it is very important to mulch the soil, to keep it as moist and cool as possible. Pine needles or compost is ideal. It is very important that this mulch be added soon after planting and remain on the ground around the plants over the first winter, or for that matter, permanently. The value of a permanent soil mulch is unquestionable in areas where drought is a problem. Where drying winds are a problem

cover the planting in the fall with newly fallen leaves. Be sure to anchor loose mulches during the winter, especially on windward slopes. This can be done by laying dead branches over the bed or by stretching string between stakes.

The next step is to practice a fairly regular fertilizing program. Apply a pint jarful of a 5-10-5 fertilizer to each 100 square feet of ground cover surface every ten days in the rainy season. After the fertilizer is sprinkled over the plants, brush it from the leaves with your hand or a broom. Obviously, applying it when the leaves are dry is safer because the fertilizer does not stick to and burn the leaves.

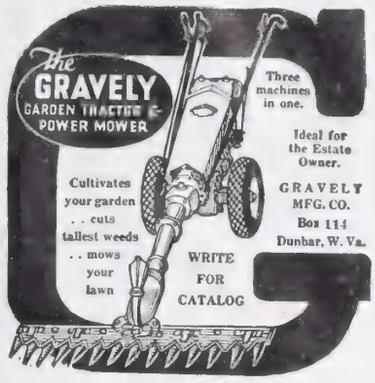
There are many other ground covers besides the popular five—English ivy, pachysandra, myrtle, Japanese honeysuckle, and winter creeper. In choosing plants as lawn substitutes, be sure to look for those with some—or all—of these qualifications: toughness, creeping habit, rapid spread, evergreen or near-round good appearance, adaptability to different soils and sites, and little or no maintenance requirements.

To aid you in selecting plants for ground covers wherever you live, we have asked several experienced horticulturists from all parts of the country to give you suggestions. Here they are, grouped by plant zones:

Zone 1—Florida and the Gulf Strip

Honeysuckle, Japanese (*Lonicera japonica*)—Already described.

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Zone 2—The South

Bugle (*Ajuga reptans*)—6″-8″ tall, neat appearance but not evergreen, grows in sun or shade.

Ivy, Algerian (*Hedera canariensis*) Described above.

Ivy, English (*Hedera helix* varieties)—Described above.

Lilyturf, dwarf (*Ophiopogon japonicus*)—Described above.

Lilyturf (*Liriope* species)—described above.

Mahonia, creeping (*Mahonia repens*)—evergreen, 1′ tall, some fall color, especially good for dry places, and in sun or shade.

Zone 3—Northeast

Zone 4—Middle West

Bugle (*Ajuga reptans*)—described above.

Honeysuckle, Japanese (*Lonicera japonica*)—described above.

Ivy, English (*Hedera helix* varieties)—described above.

Lilyturf (*Liriope* species)—reliably hardy at least as far north as New York City.

Myrtle (*Vinca* [illegible] described

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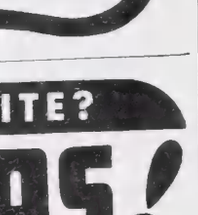
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Zone 6—Pacific Northwest

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Camellia, winter-blooming (*C. sasanqua*) White Doves. Trailing habit of this variety makes it a good ground cover; white flowers during winter, beginning to bloom in October. Also several pink varieties, some double.

Ivy, English (*Hedera helix* varieties) described above.

Pachysandra (*P. terminalis*)—described above.

Salal (*Gaultheria shallon*)—Native plant with dark green, evergreen foliage; once established, of easy culture in sun or shade. Good with other broadleaf evergreens.

Zone 7—California and Southwest

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Bugle (*Ajuga reptans*)—described above.

Dichondra (*D. carolíniensis*). Tiny leaves somewhat like a violet's in shape. Makes a good lawn substitute if soil is free of weeds and uniform in texture and fertility. Does not need mowing.

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Ivy, English (*Hedera helix*)—described above.—*R. B. Farnham.*

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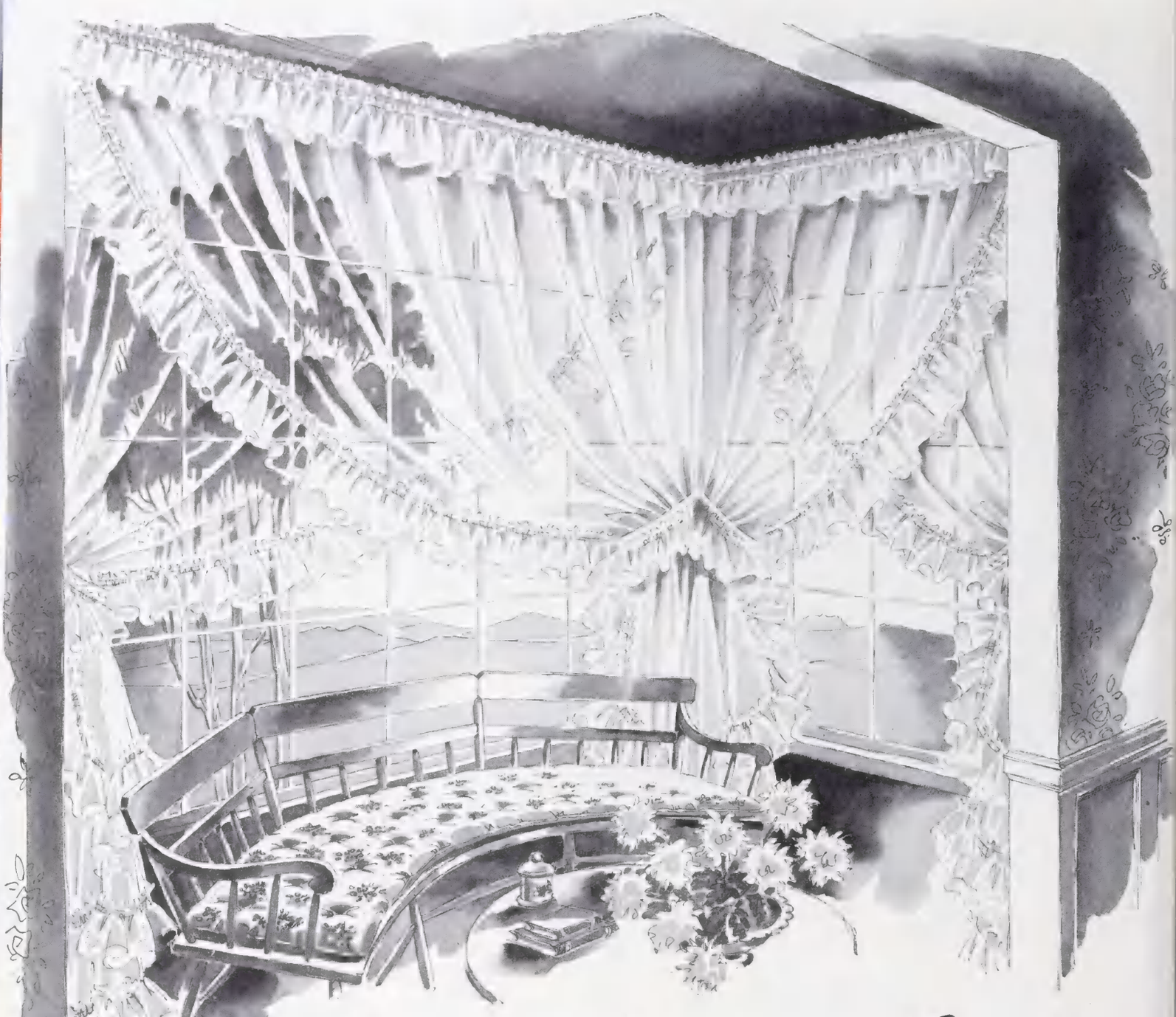
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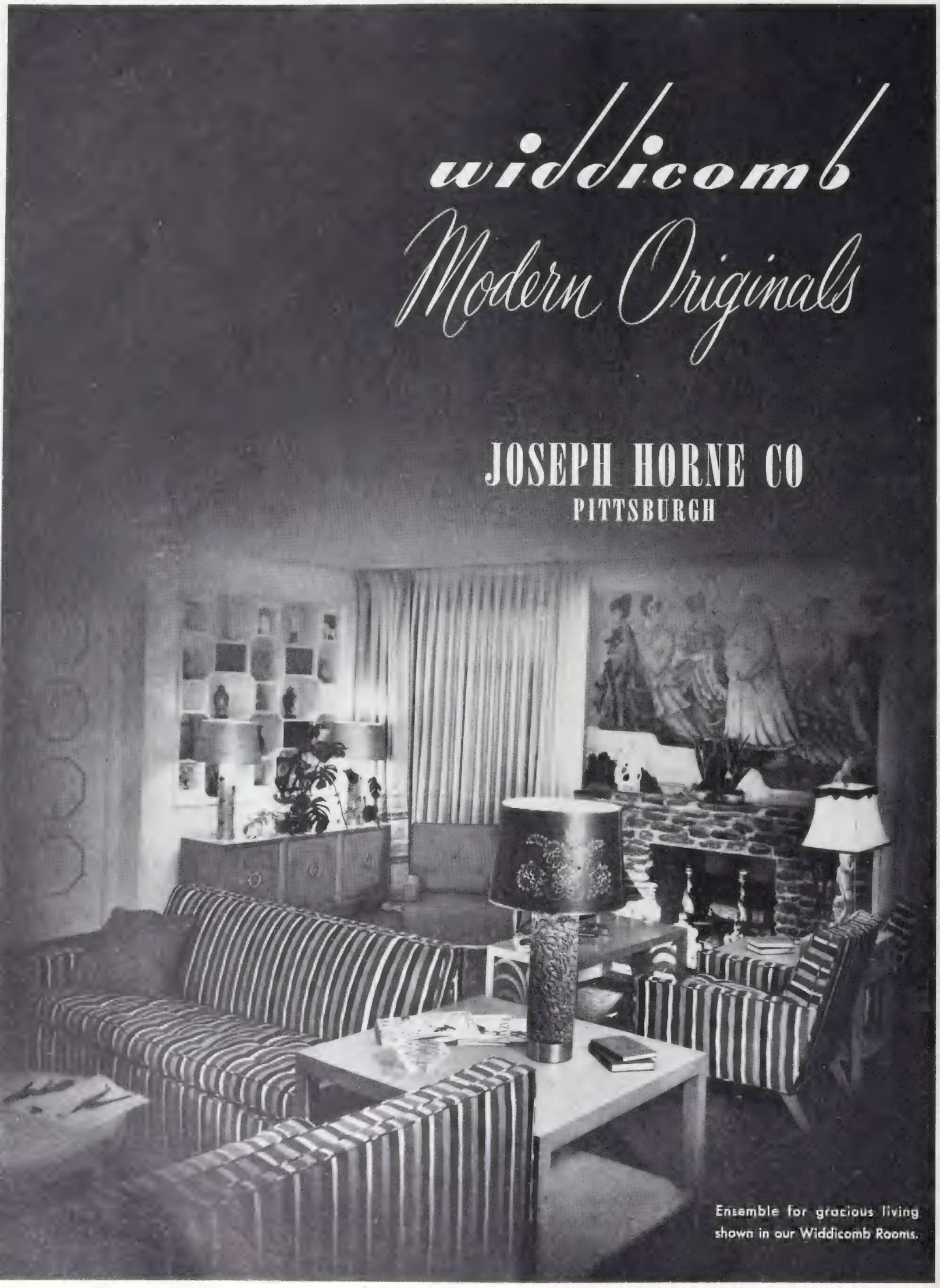


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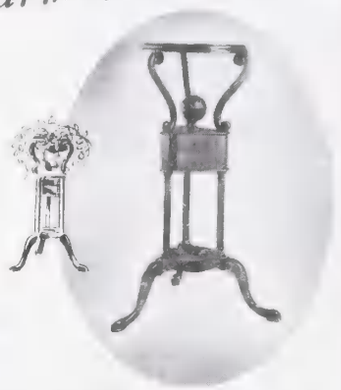
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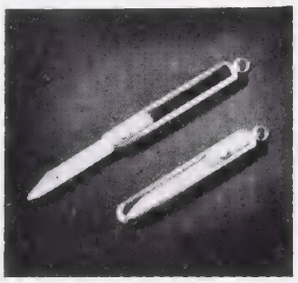
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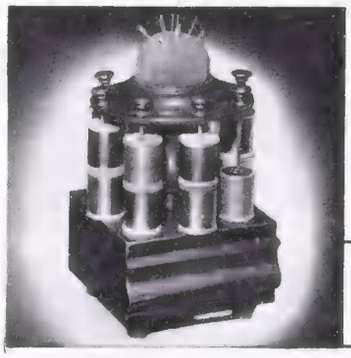
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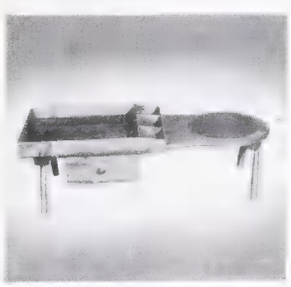
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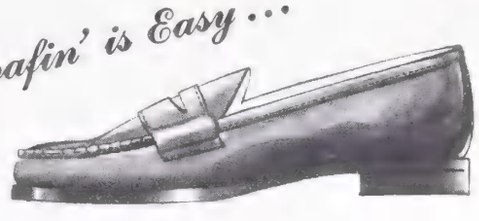
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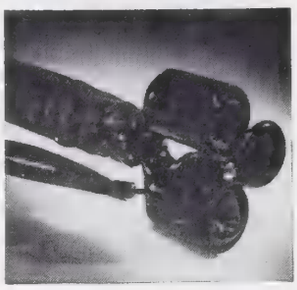
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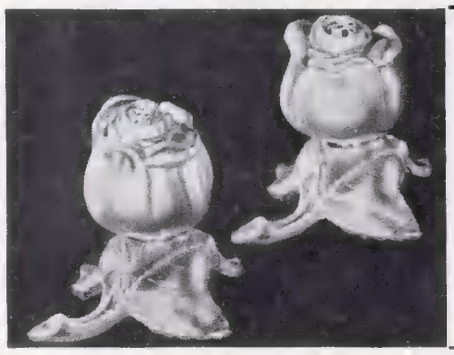
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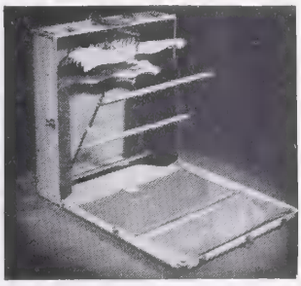
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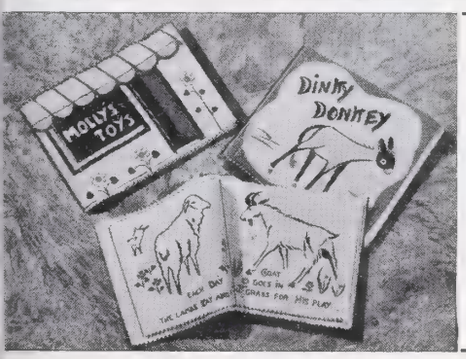


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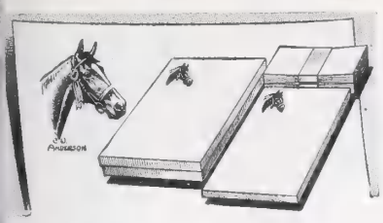
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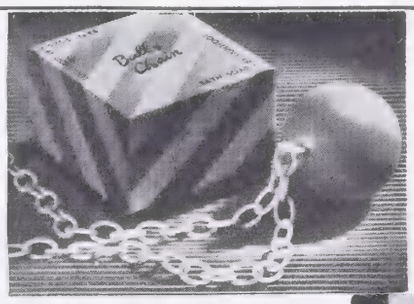
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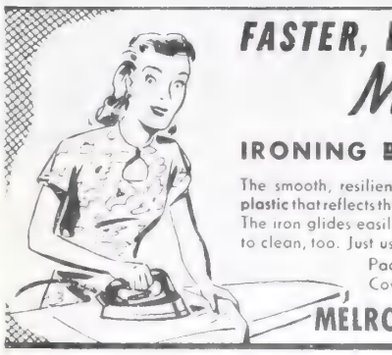
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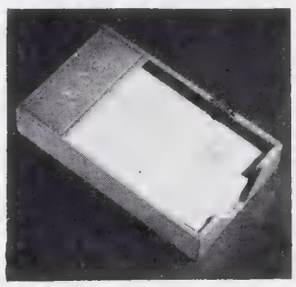
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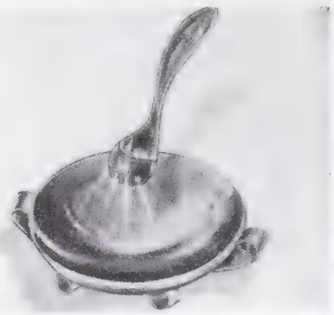
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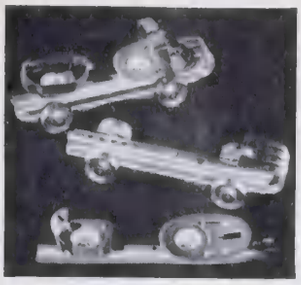
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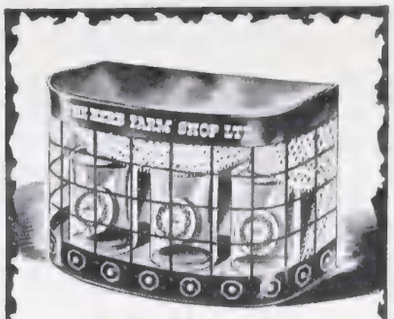
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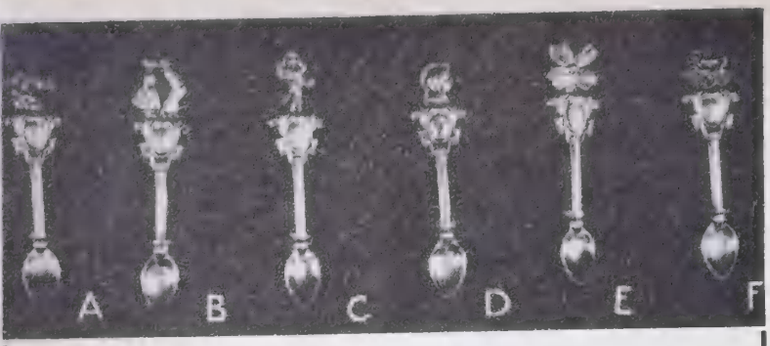
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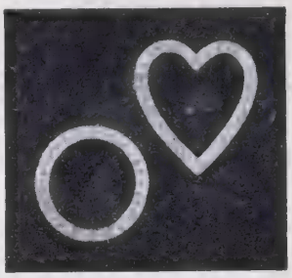
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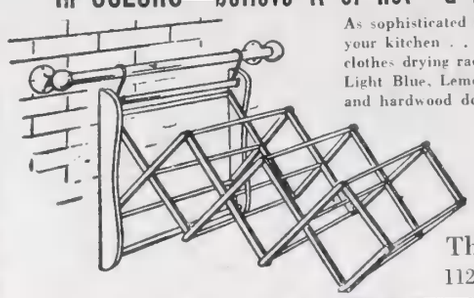
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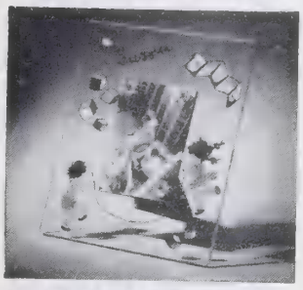
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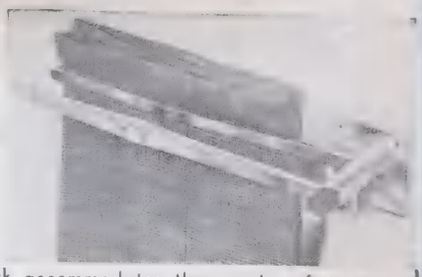
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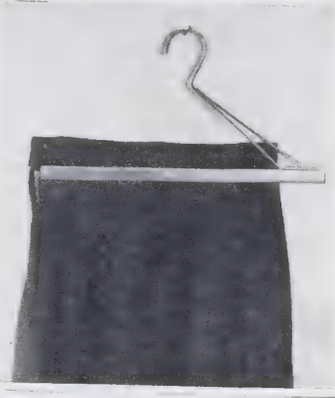
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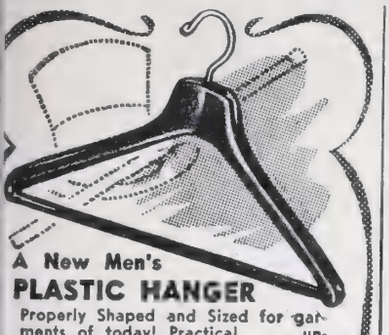
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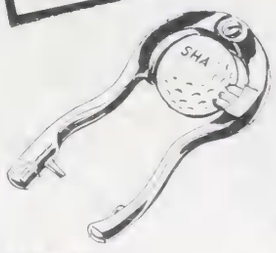
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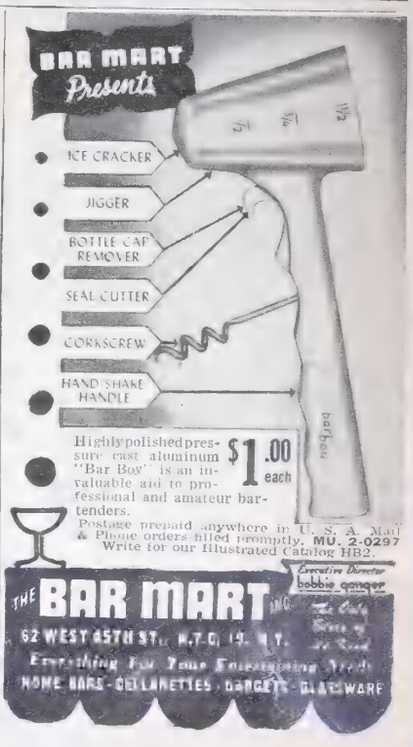
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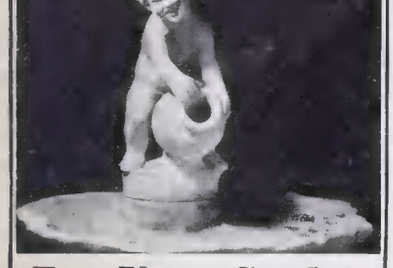
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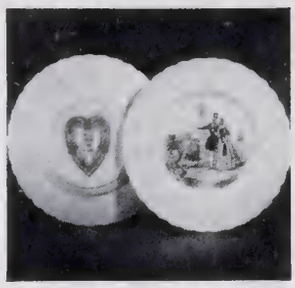
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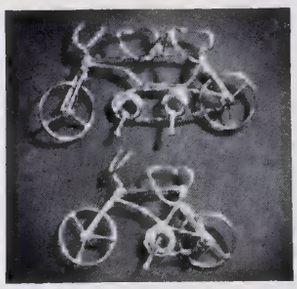
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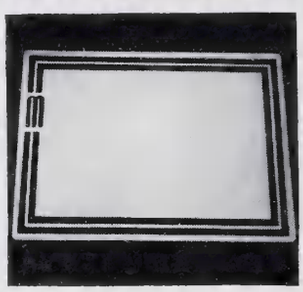
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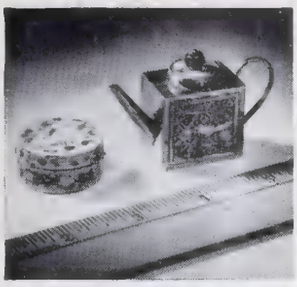
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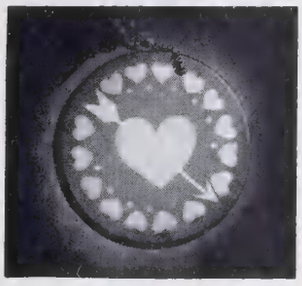
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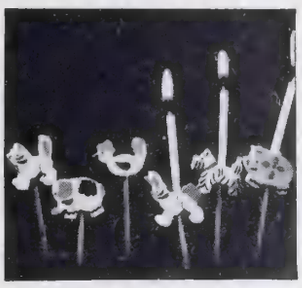
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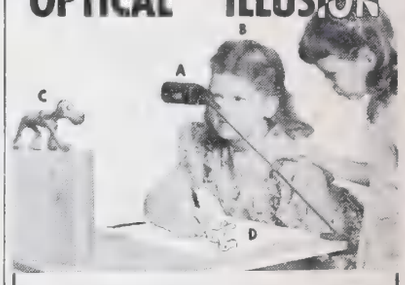


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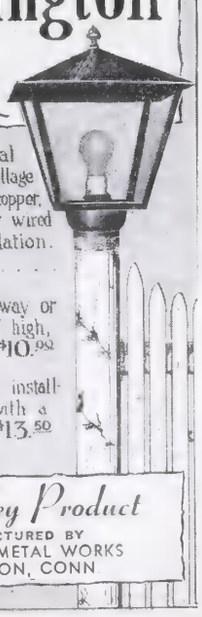
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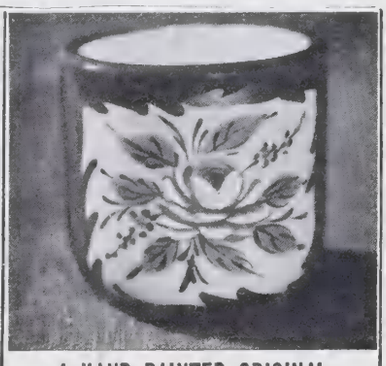
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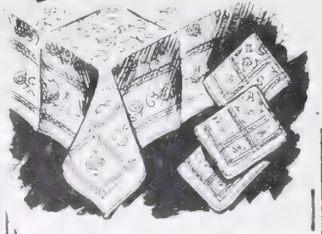
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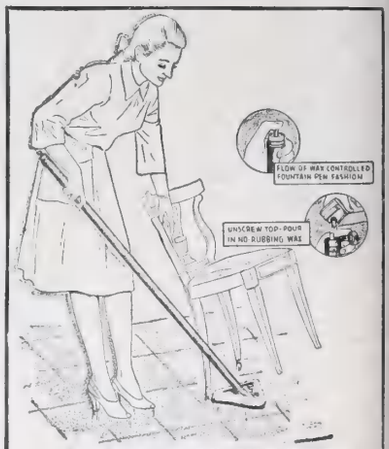
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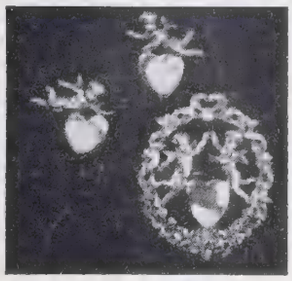
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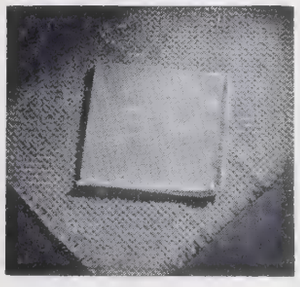
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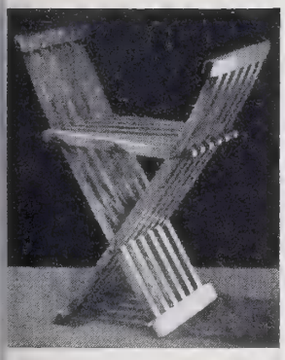


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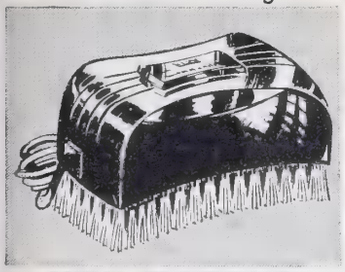
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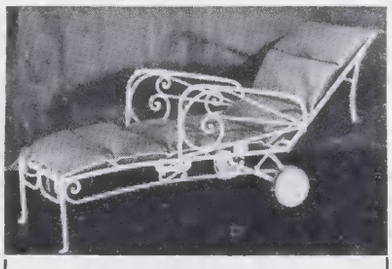
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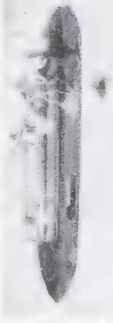
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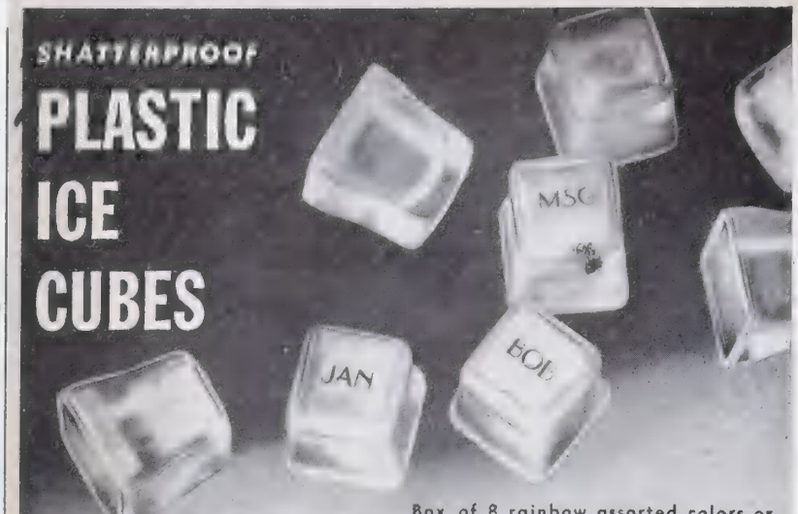
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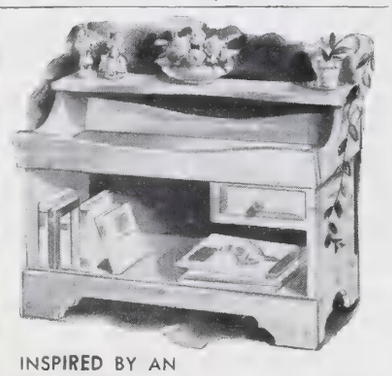
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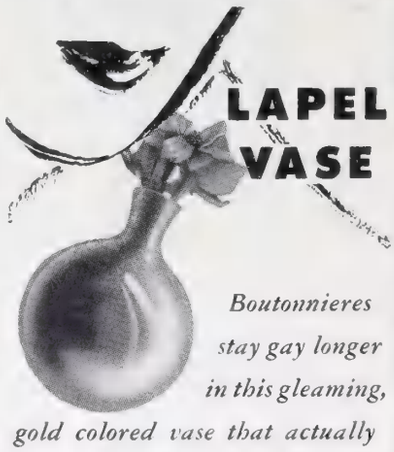
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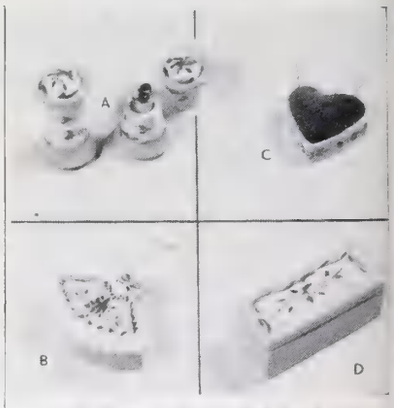
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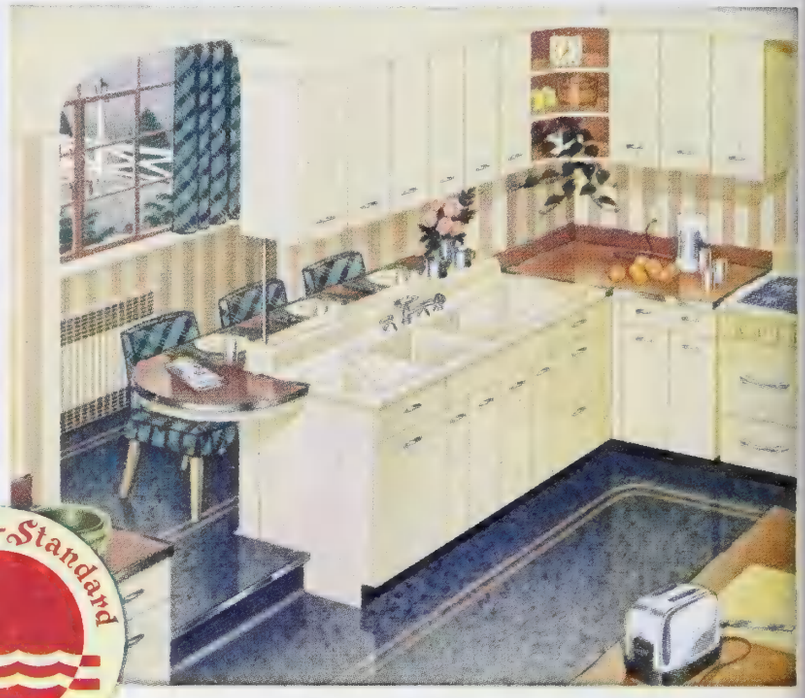


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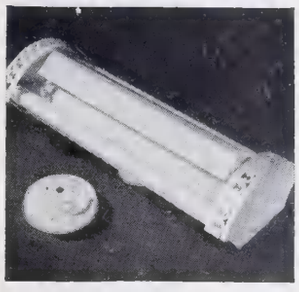
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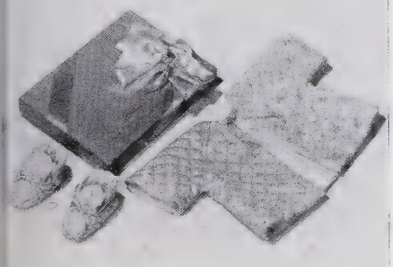
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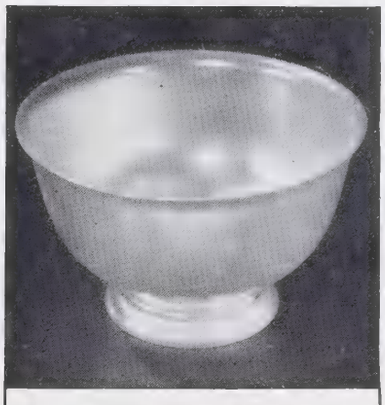
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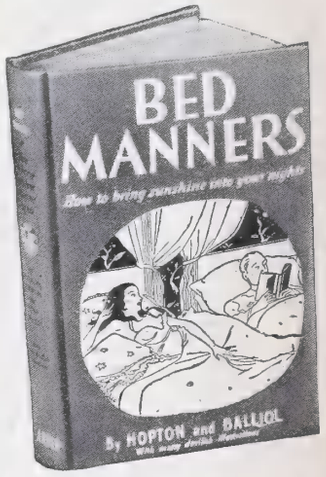
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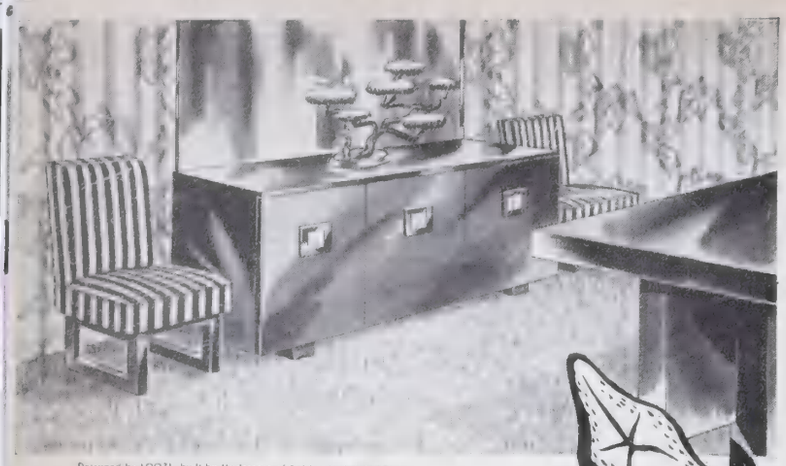
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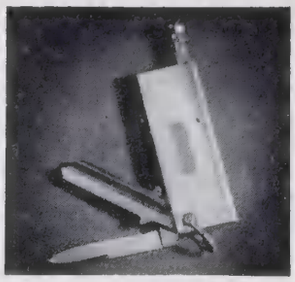
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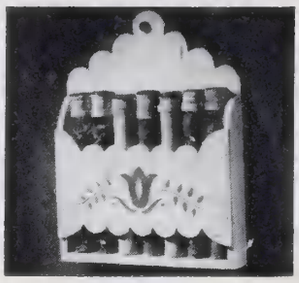
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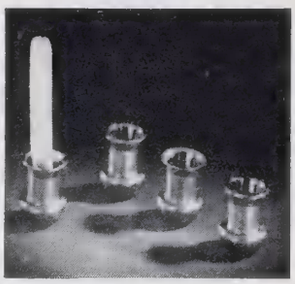
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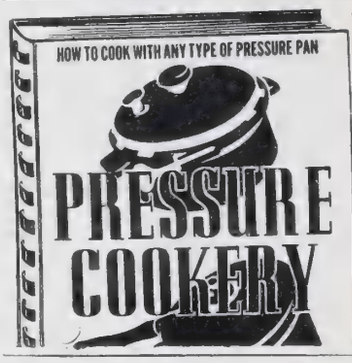
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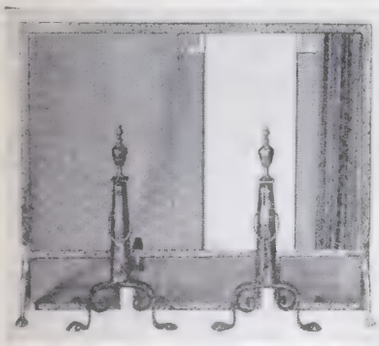


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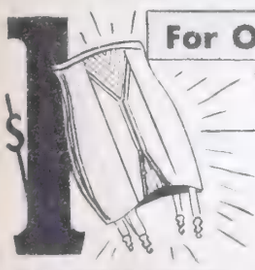
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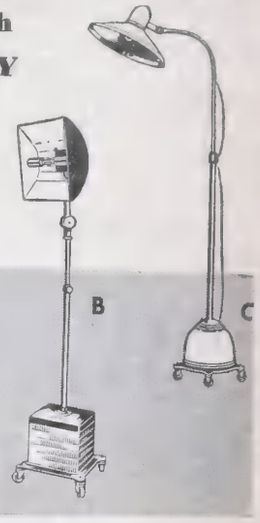


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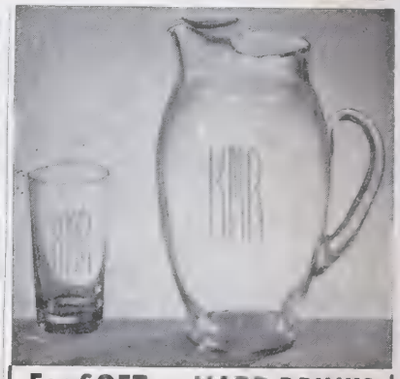


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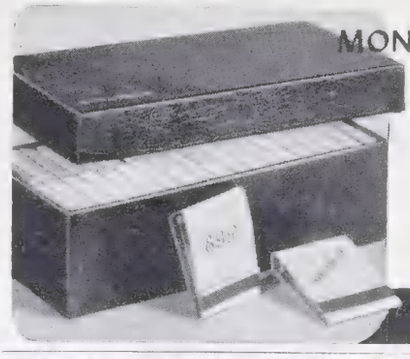
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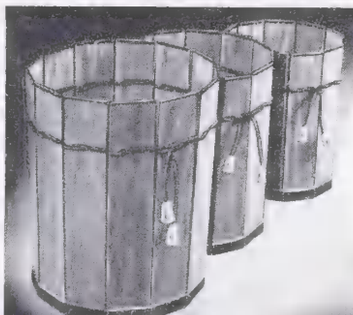


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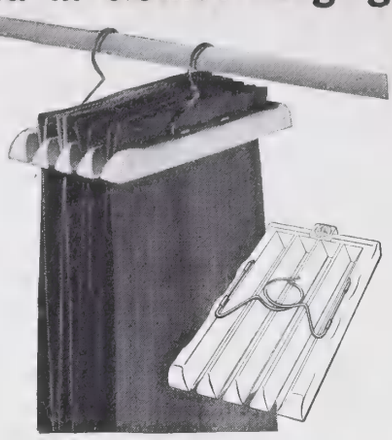
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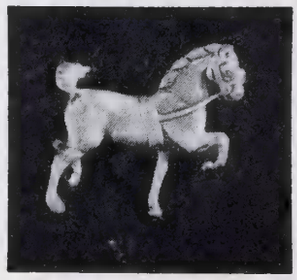
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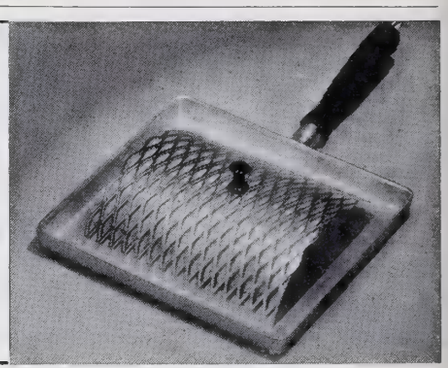
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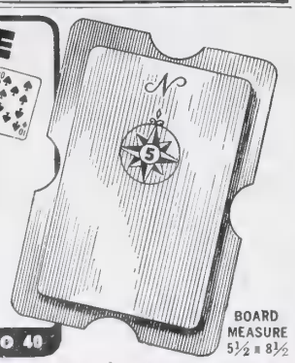
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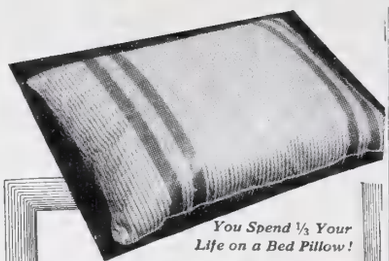
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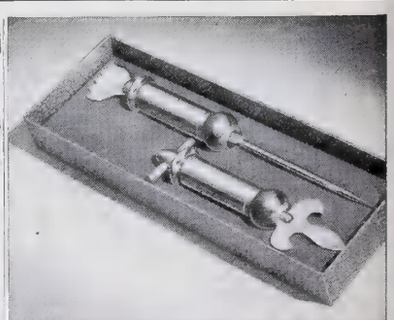
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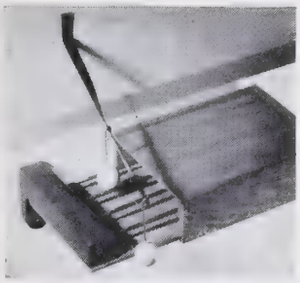


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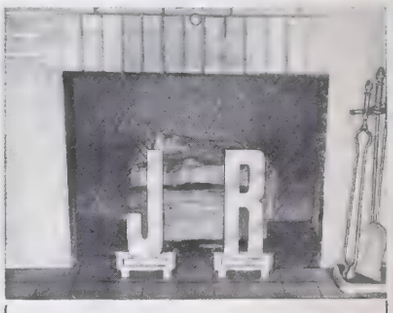
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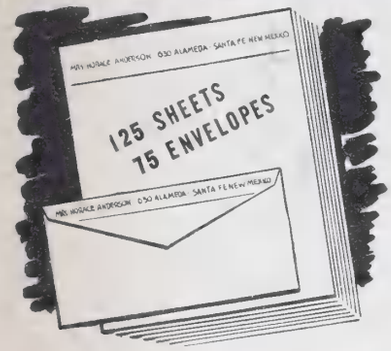


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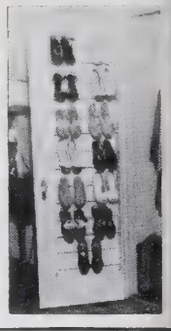


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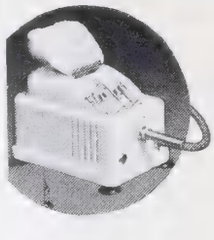
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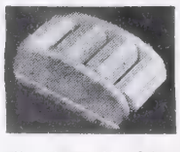
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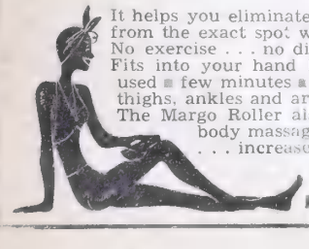
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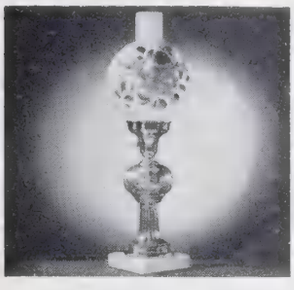
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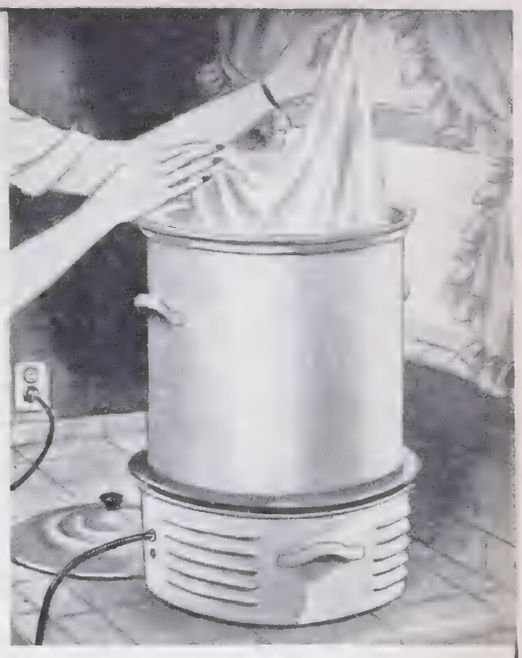
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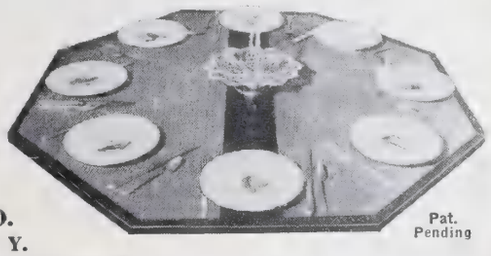
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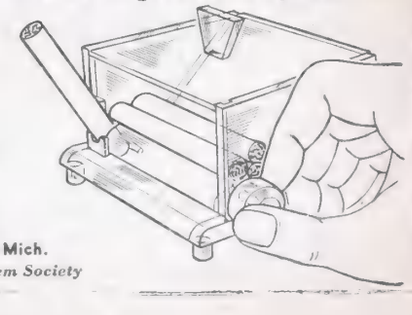
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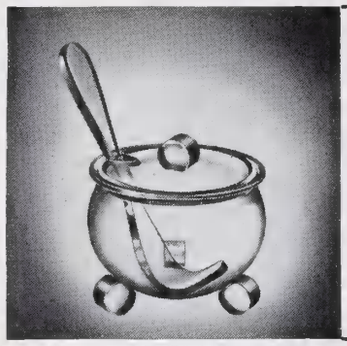
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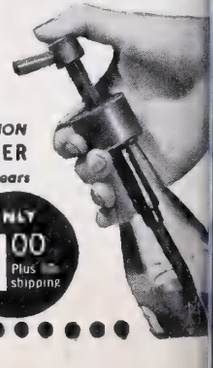
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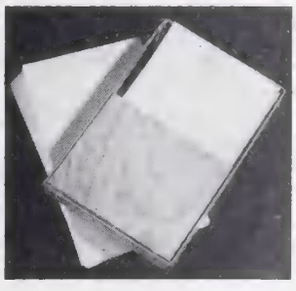
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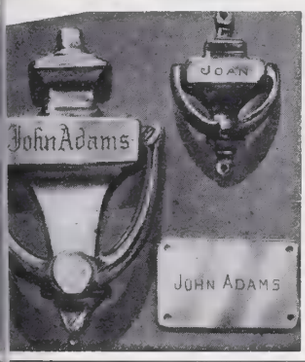
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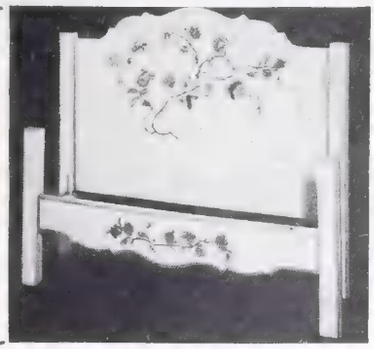
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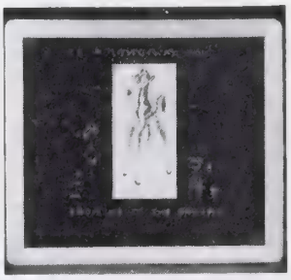


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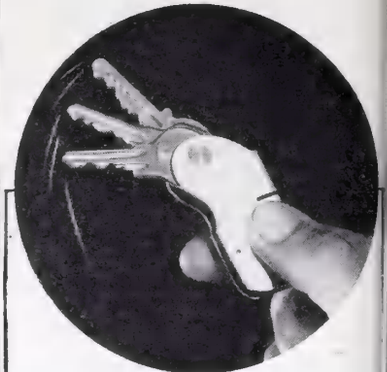


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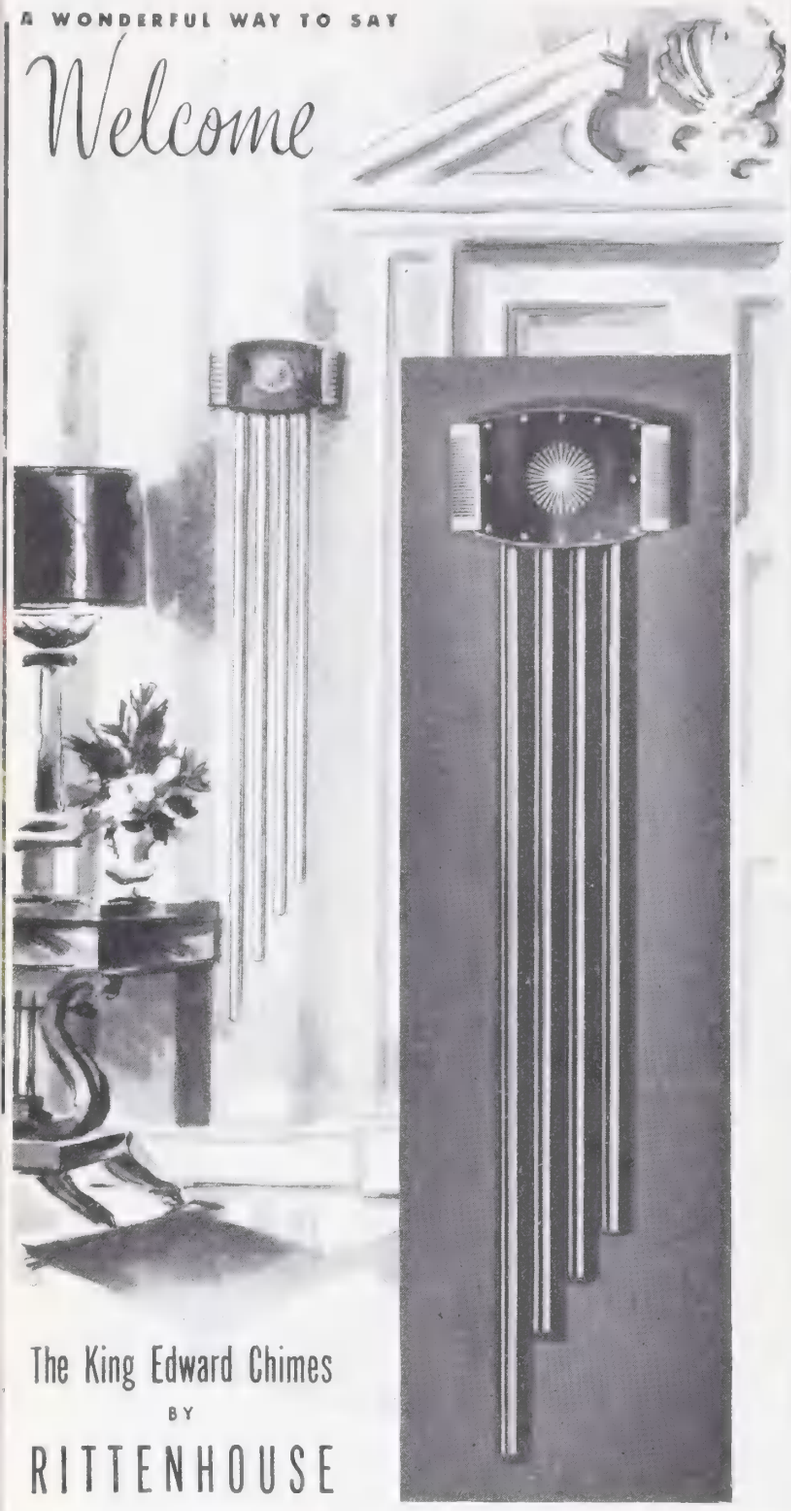
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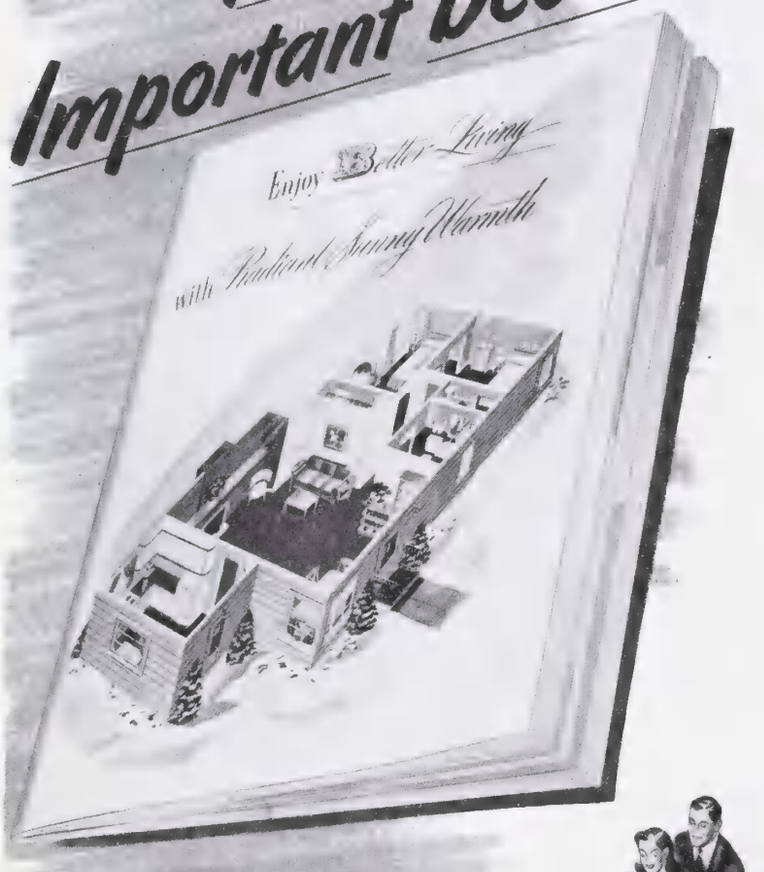
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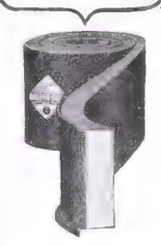
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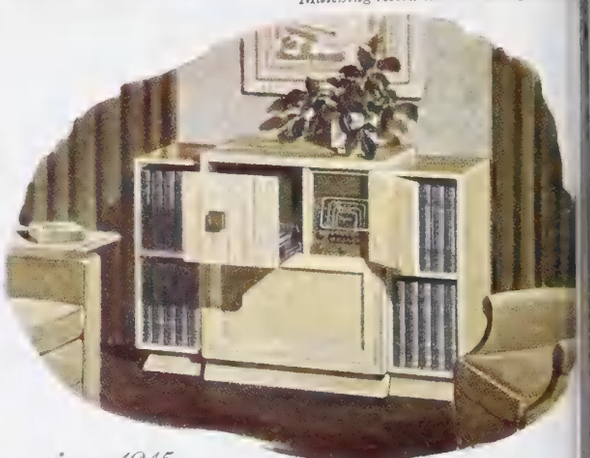
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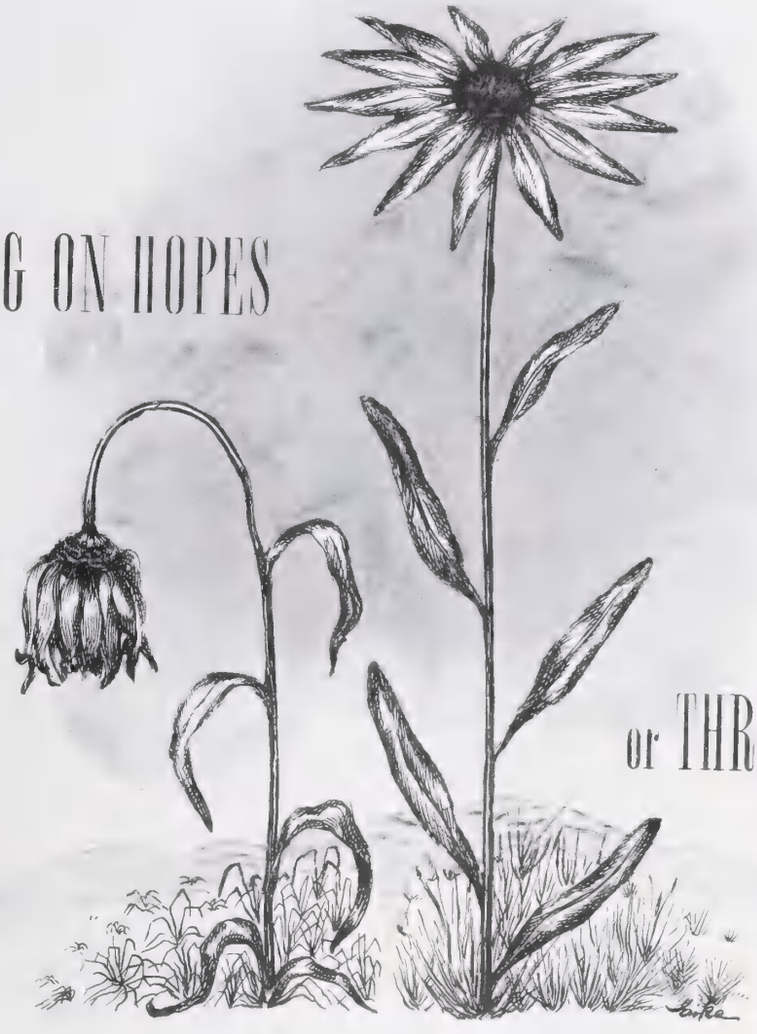
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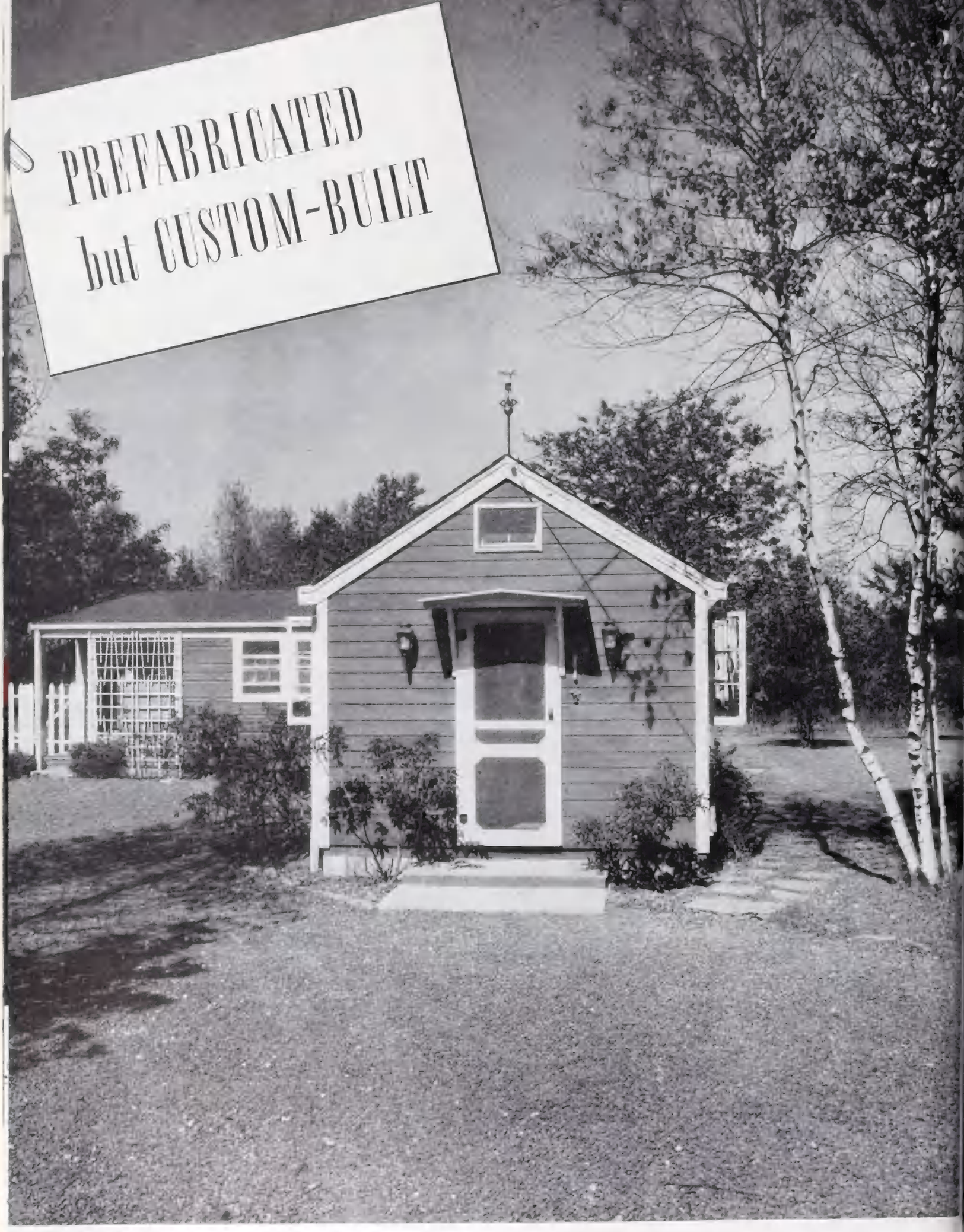
STARVING ON HOPES



or THRIVING ON PLANS?

Hope is like a mushroom. On a steady diet of that delicacy alone you would soon starve to death. But added to a steak or stew, miraculously the mushroom becomes real, sustaining food. So it is with hope—that hope for a better home and better life that everyone hungers for. Alone, hope is starvation fare, an invitation to inertia and a sorry substitute for great things. But harness your hope to reality, bolster it with carefully made plans, with purposeful savings and with that rib-sticking fare called knowledge. Then, like the mushroom, hope becomes real food, nourishing your chances for the better life. Are you giving your hopes the support they deserve?

PREFABRICATED but CUSTOM-BUILT



By Josephine von Miklos

You've never seen so much house for $7,400. It started as a small prefab unit, but ingenious planning resulted in optimum use of space



Owner-added details give homey look to prefab

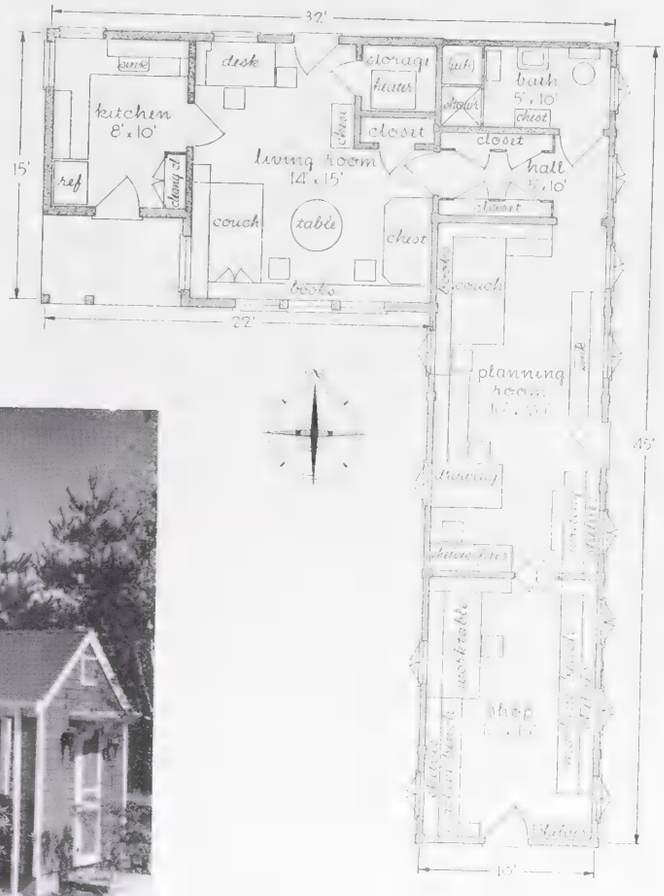
I can't sell you a house," the man said. "There's a war on. Unless, of course, you have a priority."

I didn't have a priority and didn't think I could get one. I was just a thoroughly harassed industrial designer who had come back from a war job and had been able to find only a couple of tiny rooms which then—in February 1945—were bulging with tools, workbenches, books. I was practically sleeping on top of my lathe. (Jobs kept coming in. Everybody wanted something for "postwar.") I was beginning to figure how I could hang my drill press from the ceiling. There wasn't another room to be had in New York.

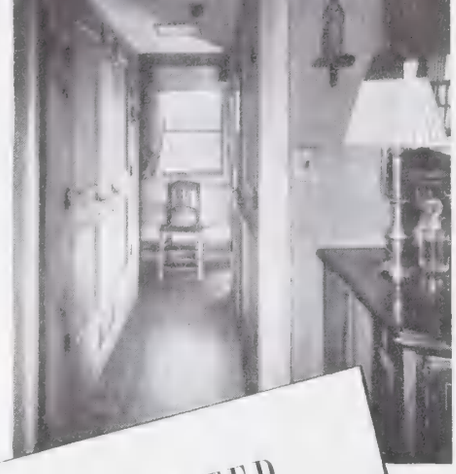
My friends, the Millers, said, "We have plenty of land in Poundridge. Why don't you build a house?"

That sounded wonderful. I decided what I wanted was a prefabricated (*Continued on next page*)





An old tool house, plus a carpenter-built room, were added to prefab unit



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house. It would go up fast; I wouldn't have to worry about hard-to-get labor and non-existing building materials.

But there was no prefabricated house to be had.

"Well," the man said, seeming to understand that I couldn't hang a drill press from the ceiling, "the only thing I *could* sell you is an agricultural storage building. But I don't quite see how you could use it."

"What is an agricultural storage building?" I asked.

"Something ten feet wide," he said, "and as long as we can make it for one thousand dollars including shipping from the plant. That's all you can spend under current war-time regulations."

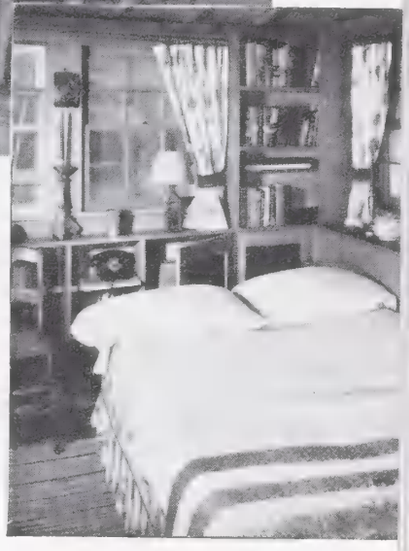
We took paper and pencil. After many hours of work we had it: something 10 feet wide and 45 feet long, to be made from 15 prefabricated panels. It would have 12 windows (*Continued on page* 58)



Typical of the space engineering which enabled a little floor area to do twice the normal work



Couch can be pulled out from under shelves at night to become a full-width bed



PHOTOGRAPHS BY WILLIAM F. HOWLAND





"Drawers" of writing desk (far left) are wooden paper baskets on shelves. Even wall space over old chest has storage shelves



Counters are only two ft. deep, but. . . .



they conceal sliding snack board which . . .



becomes large enough for two place settings

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and three doors, and there were eight dollars left for a hood over what was to become the entrance. Included were two inside partitions, one with an open space in place of a door, the other with a door (for the bathroom). We now were up to $933 including freight.

I spent many more hours figuring out just how to use the space. The problem was to make every inch work. It looked fine on paper.

The house was delivered the last week in April. The snow that year seemed to be staying forever. Still, a local mason was able to put down the cement blocks which were to serve as foundation, one pier of blocks every five feet as the blue print from the factory had directed.

And now the house was lying on the ground, bundles of panels, bundles of joints, bundles (*Continued on page* 114)





Cleaning closet, only one ft. deep, has 6 ft. shelves

Is modern architecture MATURE?

Any art form such as architecture, which is always a true expression of the era and the culture in which it occurs, takes time to develop. Gothic architecture took 300 years to develop. Early American required 150 years to flower. Georgian was 100 years in reaching maturity. So it is not surprising that Modern architecture, which was born 60 or 70 years ago in America, should just now be reaching, in this last decade, a state of development that can be called maturity.

It takes very little time to copy or adapt the forms of old, full-blown architectural styles. But it takes decades—sometimes centuries—with scores of designers working to evolve varying solutions to many kinds of problems to bring a new architectural style to full perfection. So it is not surprising that, when Americans turned away from satiation in Victorian rococo-ism, they chose not the callow strangeness of our own young Modernism, but the more fully developed and matured European aesthetic forms of the Tudor country house, the French chateau, the Italian villa. These were refreshingly simple in contrast to the ornate, jumpy styles of the preceding decades.

Elizabeth Gordon, Editor

But, while the majority were importing their architecture, there was a minority (very small and courageous) who did not consider it appropriate to try to live a twentieth-century American life behind Cotswold, French farmhouse, or Spanish façades. They backed their belief with action, thereby keeping alive and at work enough non-conforming architects to develop this young, vigorous native architecture through use and re-use, experiment and refinement. Now, with six decades of usage, (the last two fairly prolific ones), Modern architecture is entering maturity.

So now we are beginning to see Modern houses which are truly complete expressions of our democratic system and our aesthetic and technological culture. They belong to our way of living as much as maple sugar, Detroit automobiles, and a free education.

A fine example of such mature Modern architecture is presented on the next ten pages.

A SMALL HOUSE OF GREAT MERIT



Looking down across rail into living room from bedroom level.

Living room from front door showing steps to upper level.



This house HOUSE BEAUTIFUL holds up as a very fine example of the maturing character of American Modern architecture. It has about it an aesthetic rightness and inevitability that characterizes all fully developed art forms.

It doesn't need to be analyzed or rationalized to be appreciated as experimental and immature designs require. People of all architectural preferences like it and accept it—a pretty sure sign of its aesthetic greatness and maturity. It uses no line or material that is not necessary. Even after the most critical study one finds that nothing could be any different. As a design it is finished and perfect.

When a five-room, $7,800 house (built 8 years ago) can be held up for its artistic maturity and as a miracle of good designing, it is worth the closest study and analysis, even though one can appreciate the house and its furnishings without it.

To understand the quality of this house (or any house), it is necessary to know how all the details of who, what, why, and where were coped with. Only when the variables of personality, budget, geography, climate, ages, and living habits are *sympathetically* and *perfectly* solved can a house be called a fine house—no matter what its aesthetics. We give you all these details so you may see how organic and integrated this house is.

It was built for a young married couple, the Victor Jorgensens, in Portland, Oregon, and designed by John Yeon, who now owns the house. The Jorgensens owned one acre (140 ft. wide) in a typical, western Oregon woodland with a heavy growth of mixed conifers and deciduous trees. John Yeon, contrary to the local practice of clearing away the trees before development, sited the house to avoid removal of any sizable trees, thereby preserving the natural density of the woods right up to the walls of the building.

In this summer-shaded situation, the house is filled with a completely adequate, diffused, sub-aqueous light, thanks to the very ample windows. During the winter months this light is increased when the canopy of trees is bare of leaves.

The exterior color of the house is predominantly a dark greenish-blue. The walls of recessed portions are a mossy yellow-green. The roof is mulberry. The house is almost invisible from a short distance in spite of its very positive color scheme. It is cheerful in effect without shattering the mysterious shadows of the forest interior. Leaves and hanging branches against the (*Continued on page* 63)

Art objects of character and distinction from many centuries and countries are at home here







What could have been wasted space in hall is used for equivalent of three pieces of furniture: console has desk, record player, and album storage. Slot in top lets one light illumine desk and picture.

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



The long view from the bedroom steps into the living room and front hall. Concealed in stair hand-rail are lights to illuminate the steps, to serve a couch reader, and also to light the art objects.

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deeply colored walls produce a subtle and unusual decorative pattern. Within, the color schemes in contrast are bright, warm, and glowing, and so dispel any inside gloom potential to a wooded situation. The house seems sunlit even on the darkest days. The cool colors of the engulfing foliage, seen through the windows, and the warm colors within intensify each other.

The main room is oriented to provide a two-way outlook into the deepest portions of the long narrow property. Dining, living, and entry areas are assembled to achieve a large continuous space. High ceiling and the small scale of details and furnishings contribute to the illusion of spaciousness. The ceiling and most of the walls are of vertical grain hemlock flooring, unfinished so as to preserve the original light color and luster. A small area of painted plywood, divided by battens into panels, gives a color and texture contrast, and affords an opportunity to change the color scheme of the room with paint without alteration of any of the natural wood surfaces. The oak floor is laid in four-foot squares.

The long built-in couch is placed to flank the fireplace while providing a direct view through the large window. Concealed in the metal hand-rail for the stair landing are lights which illuminate the steps, light the couch sufficiently for reading, and exploit the objects on the bookcase behind the couch.

The cantilevered cabinet near the entrance contains desk, phonograph records and record changer. The concealed light which illuminates the desk also illuminates, through a slot in the top of the cabinet, the Eugene Berman painting over the desk.

In the main room the lengthwise proportions are emphasized while the lateral features are subdued. A restful spaciousness is sought by calm proportions and close color harmonies. The room accommodates a wide variety of furnishings unified by color and scale. Antique and modern furnishings are freely mixed along with objects from many periods and many parts of the world. The rug was woven by Marianne Strengell at Cranbrook.

The bedrooms and baths are raised 2½ feet above the living room. The ceilings maintain the same level. The bedrooms are completely grouped, each with corner exposure. Beneath the bedroom area is a full basement opening at ground level and containing a large room with fireplace, darkroom, storage rooms, furnace room, etc.

The lawn area to the rear of the house was located in a natural clearing in the trees. The fluid French curve profiles of the lawn are characteristic (*Continued on page* 104)

Art of contemporary America, early America, ancient Chinese, and Aztec civilization mingle here

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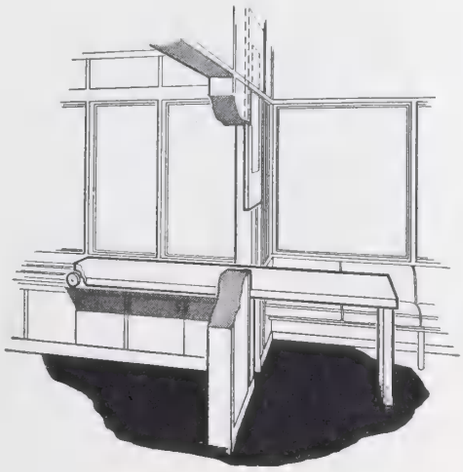
1. The small house that cannot afford space for a separate dining room has always caused domestic complications when dining and living areas merge. Mr. Yeon designed a built-in table which slides between both areas as part of structure. It is so contrived its existence is not suspected in advance of appearance.



2. Decorative panel over table slides up into wall, permitting fully set table to glide noiselessly through the wall into position in front of built-in window seat. While it is in use diners have advantage of all the spaciousness of the living room. Counterbalanced panel in wall has a glass insert for change of pictures.

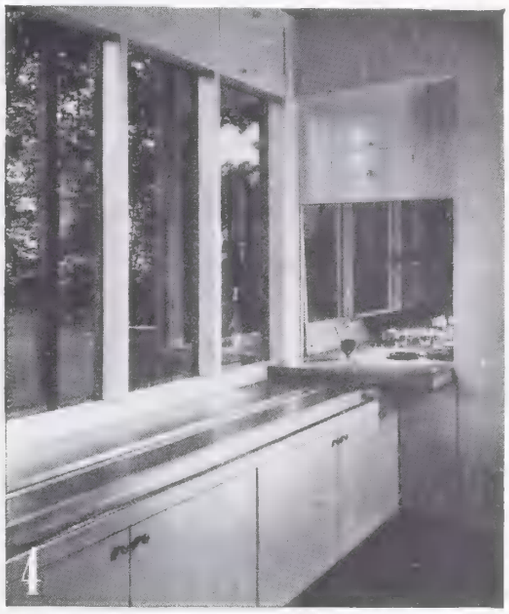
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EATING IN THE LIVING ROOM



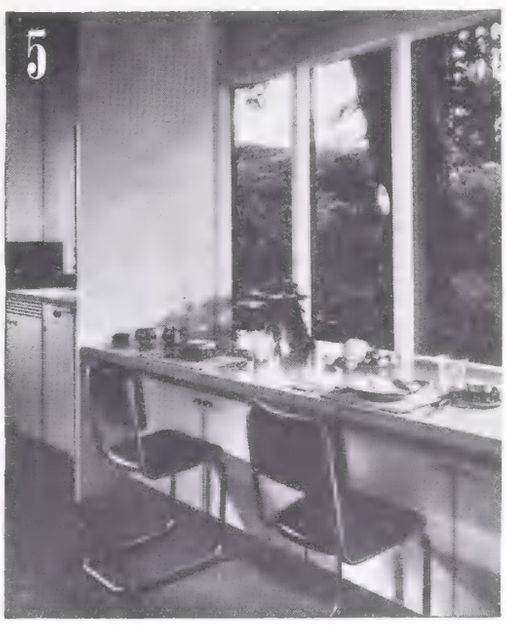


3. When table is pulled as far into living room as wanted, wall panel slides down again to screen off kitchen. The table accommodates eight easily, but it may be extended only as far as the number of places require. When meals are over it carries the used dishes back into the kitchen, close to sink and storage cabinets.



4. Kitchen side of the step-saving table installation, showing table almost completely pushed into the living room. After it is gone it leaves exposed a linoleum-covered work counter, which would be very useful for the last minute laying out of salads and desserts, for which there is rarely adequate space.

5. When table is in the kitchen it serves as a breakfast table with a full view of the garden or as work space over the storage cabinets. Taken over-all, it saves steps and carrying, as well as space. It permits all the amenities of the gracious, quietly served dinner. Yet it occupies space in living room only at mealtime.





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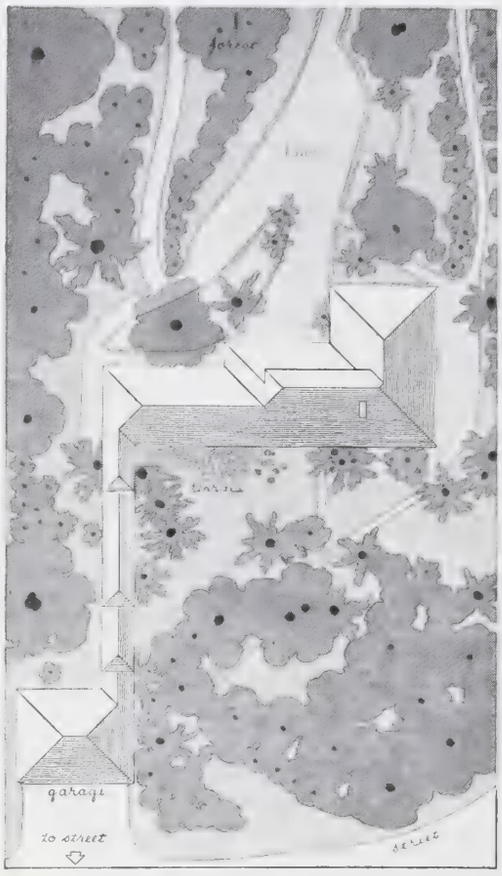


Rear of the house illustrates the rhythmical paneling, which is the main element of the exterior design. Within this disciplined order are contrasts of materials and textures—glass, plywood, and louvres. Behind the louvres are hinged wood panels which open inward for ventilation permitting all glass to be fixed, eliminating the bulk of frames.

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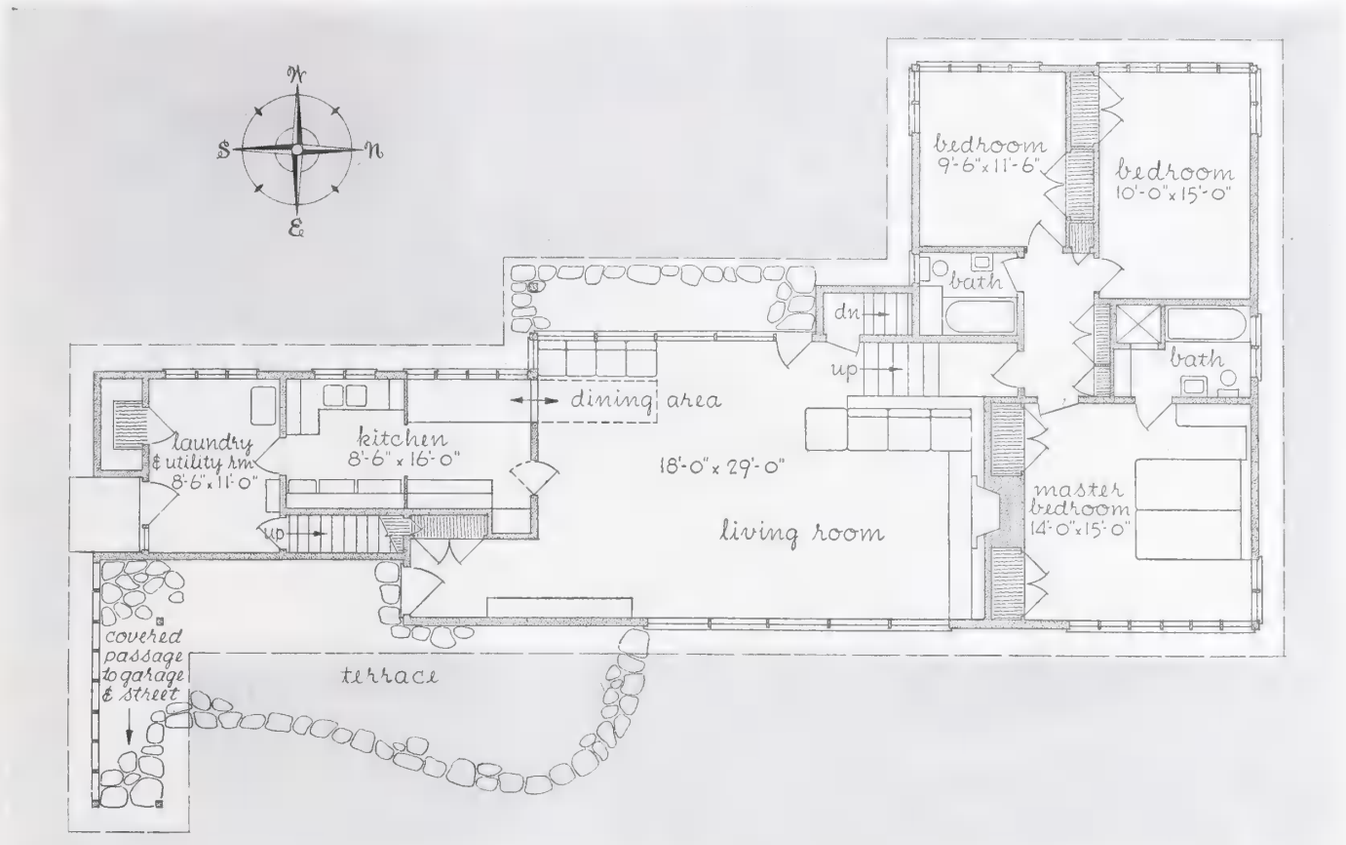
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1. Because Mr. Yeon wanted to design this house to take full advantage of the feeling of the woodland forest, the house was placed deeply back on the land, and the garage was placed very near the public road. Consequently a driveway, that would have had to be long and costly, was eliminated. And the quality of segregation and detachment for the house was heightened. To provide shelter from inclement weather a covered passage connects house and garage.

2. As these pictures and the site plan show, the ground rises from the street toward the house. So the passageway is slightly terraced to compensate for the rise in grade. This terracing occurs on the ground levels and on the roof lines. See roof view on page 105. Indirect lights concealed in the cross bracing illuminate the passage with a diffused flow. The long vistas produce a dramatic effect.

3. A wall on the windward side gives body protection against driving rains. The same rhythm of the wall panels of the house are repeated in the passage design, making it very much a part of the integrated whole, even though it is more like landscape architecture than house architecture. This visually pleasing connective between the house and garage undoubtedly cost less than a traditional driveway would have cost to construct and maintain.



3



Outline of Building Specifications for This House

Cost: $7,800 (exclusive of land, landscaping, or furnishing). **Date of construction:** 1938. **Cubage:** 26,800 cubic feet of enclosed space, excluding attic, covered passage, porches. **Lot:** 1 acre, $1,000. **Foundation:** Concrete. **Floor construction:** Wooden joists. Sub-flooring of 1" x 8" boards. Finish flooring of 13/16" oak, linoleum in baths, kitchen. **Exterior walls:** 2" x 4" studs covered by 1" x 6" tongue and groove, kiln dried sheathing, brownskin waterproof paper, and panels of Resinpress waterproof plywood (M & M Plywood Corp.). **Interior walls:** 1" x 4" tongue and groove hemlock, unfinished, in living room. Steeltex lath (Pittsburgh Steel Co.) and plaster in all other rooms. **Roof:** Cedar shingles laid over 2" x 6" tongue and groove boarding. **Windows:** Fixed glass panels with louvered ventilating panels above or below. Thermopane (Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.) or 3/16" crystal glass used. **Heating:** Warm air system (Mueller Co.). Thermostat control (Minneapolis-Honeywell).



Rosier à cent feuilles.

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The old-fashioned and species roses will save you the trouble of pruning, mulching and spraying

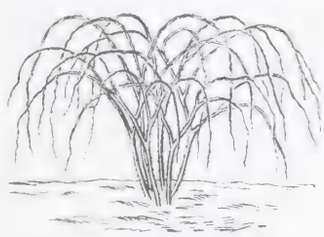
Roses without work

If the constant demands of the highly bred Hybrid Tea roses—the spraying, beetle picking, feeding, cultivating, pruning, and fall mulching—are withering your patience, don't give up roses entirely. Try, instead, some of the old-fashioned roses that require little care, but yield rich dividends in flowers and fragrance.

No matter where you live, you will find many old-fashioned roses that are perfectly hardy and need no more coddling than you would give forsythias or lilacs. You will learn to value them not only for their flowers but because they are available in different sizes and shapes (see sketches, right) to fit locations in all parts of your garden.

You may, for instance, plant several varieties of the *rugosa* to form a handsome and impenetrable hedge, showered throughout the summer with double and single flowers in white, pink, and red. You will use the *hugonis* and other fountain types as single specimens, either self-supporting or trained against a wall or fence. The mound-shaped ones like *spinosissima*, that spread by suckers or runners, will decorate a difficult-to-hold bank or the foreground of a naturalistic planting. Several prostrate kinds, like the *wichuraiana*, you will use as ground covers on a bank or on a rather extensive area of level ground. Once you have seen the lush double flowers of Frau Karl Druschki, you will want to include it as a feature of your flower border, especially near the terrace where the blooms are within easy reach. You will also want some scented roses near the house.

At mention of old-fashioned roses, you may picture, first of all, the roses that were brought to this country as "slips" by the early settlers, also the native kinds that they grew to love and included in their gardens. In this loosely defined group you may also place the lush, many-petaled Hybrid Perpetuals and the Teas that were developed before Hybrid Teas began their ascendancy. There are the historic roses of such fascinating names as York and Lancaster, Rose of Damascus, Marie Louise, and Cardinal de Richelieu; the handsome Duchess of Sutherland, Geant des Batailles, and other Hybrid Perpetuals introduced at the (*Continued on page* 138)



THE FOUNTAIN-SHAPED roses usually grow above head height, averaging 7', but up to 15'. Their slender, arching stems, as in *hugonis*, make them suitable as specimen shrubs



THE MOUND-SHAPED rose bush usually spreads by suckers and may grow three or four times broader than tall. Most stay below eye-level, like 3' to 4' *Rosa spinosissima*



THE UPRIGHT form of rose has many representatives, ranging from 2½' to 3' *gallica* to heavy-stemmed 6' to 9' *canina*. Make impenetrable hedges, backgrounds and foregrounds



THE HORIZONTAL or recumbent form makes a good ground cover for banks or broad areas. Some, like Memorial, spread 8' to 10', but space the plants 3' to 4' apart

THE UPRIGHT TYPE



The "Adjustorite" device on the Royal, a button centered on the name plate, tells instantly, by its position, when floor nozzle is set in proper relation to the surface to be cleaned for maximum efficiency. This is important, since the basic function of the upright type vacuum cleaner with its revolving brush is carpet and rug cleaning, and a firm seal between cleaner and rug surface is imperative



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The General Electric has a dual-speed switch, as do many others. Flip it up for high-speed, thorough weekly cleaning; flip it down for low-speed, brush-up cleaning every day, and for scatter rugs. To adjust nozzle properly to thickness of your rug, just touch the tip of your toe to the regulator. Without stooping to see, you can tell by feel and sound when the essential firm seal contact has been made



The newest Hoover, known as #61, solves the prob- lem of disposing of dirt accumulated during cleaning by means of its Hygienisac. This consists of a zipper-closed, dustproof outer bag, and a disposable Fibrefelt inner bag. Under normal conditions, the latter may be emptied and re-used a number of times or it may be destroyed with its contents. One bag usually will serve you for a period of six months



The Hoover plug-in tool connector simplifies the conversion of the cleaner from floor cleaning to above-the-floor dusting. All you do is press down on the cleaner with your left hand, push in the connector with your right. It is then locked in and ready for whichever cleaning tool you want to use. It's just about as simple as plugging in an electric cord, which you do a dozen times each day



Like most vacuum cleaners, the new Hoover is equipped to cope with moths in closets, clothing or furniture. Their device is called a Mothimizer. It's a small box to hold moth crystals. With bag removed and cleaner adjusted for blowing instead of suction action, air blows violently over the crystals, releasing fumes which, even in short-time use, will destroy moths in those hard-to-get-at places

HOW TO SHOP FOR A NEW VACUUM CLEANER



The Eureka upright, engineered basically for on-the-floor cleaning purposes, with its companion tank (see page 74) and a set of cleaning tools together equip you for all home cleaning needs. The upright has a motor-driven waxer for wood floors and linoleum, a Disturbulator brush to loosen imbedded dirt all through the rug, and an Attach-o-matic coupler to simplify interchange of special cleaning tools



The Matho-Matic nozzle is Premier's solution to the problem of a cleaner which will work equally well on thick rugs or thin; bare floors or linoleum. This nozzle automatically adjusts itself for the complete suction seal necessary between nozzle and surface to be cleaned. Like some other cleaners, the Premier has a two-speed motor, dirt-finding searchlight, and requires no oiling at any time

PHOTOGRAPHS BY FRED LERNER



The rug nozzle on the Hamilton Beach upright can be adjusted to five different positions, according to the length of the nap on your rugs. Each is clearly indicated. All you do is touch the tip of your toe to the adjuster, as shown, until it shows the right suction seal between nozzle and rug. A radio interference eliminator built into the motor can prove a very great convenience in many homes



Characteristic of all Westinghouse uprights is the adjustability of the handle to several different positions. Standing vertically, the handle is in position for storage in minimum space. Lowered slightly, it is in normal cleaning position. Lowered still further, it permits clearing low furniture. The nozzle automatically adjusts itself for a firm seal, regardless of the thickness of your floor covering

Your own needs determine your choice

You do not buy a vacuum cleaner every day of your life. The one you buy now will last for many years. Select yours from a recognized, reputable manufacturer, and get the best you can possibly afford. The cost, divided by the many years of use you will derive from it, will be almost negligible.

Your choice of model depends upon your own cleaning needs, and these you have to analyze for yourself.

Generally speaking, upright cleaners, with their motor-driven revolving brushes, are considered best for on-the-floor, or rug and carpet cleaning; tank types, with their strong suction power, for above-the-floor dusting.

Be sure the cleaner's weight is such that you can carry it easily. You will find different models varying up to 16 pounds. Good balance is important with tank type cleaners. The cleaning tools, since they are the parts most often handled, also should be light.

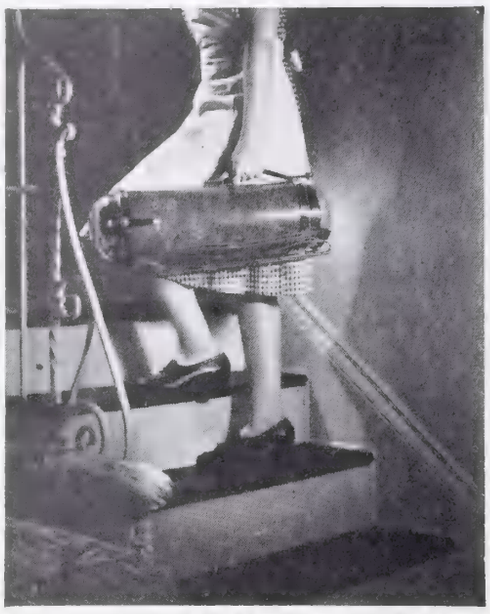
Be sure the cord reaching from cleaner to outlet is long enough. Most cords are 20 feet or longer. Cords also should be passed by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., for safety assurance.

For effective cleaning, there must be a firm seal between cleaner and rug surface, whether you have high pile or low. Some uprights adjust automatically, in others adjustment is made manually.

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Westinghouse has built into their new tank type cleaner an Adjust-o-Matic carpet nozzle. In normal use, this glides over the rug on metal pads. When there is unduly heavy or stubborn soil, a recessed brush is projected automatically by a slight pressure on the handle for penetrating sweeping action. Thus the cleaner is adapted for efficient on-the-floor, as well as usual above-the-floor cleaning



In the Apex tank cleaner, a floating brush built into the rug nozzle sweeps up dirt on carpets and rugs, which then is sucked into the enclosed bag. A swivel adapter, for use with all special cleaning tools, makes it easy to get into hard-to-reach places. Special lock-tight construction keeps tools securely attached while in use. Double swivel hose construction prevents hose from kinking, twisting



Not only does the Premier Aire-Matic have an adjustable brush in the floor nozzle, to take care of difficult carpet dirt, but there are side slots in the nozzle to whisk dirt out of corners. Swivel construction simplifies cleaning under and around low furniture. The special cleaning tools standard with practically all tank type cleaners come with this, too. The model is partner to upright, page 73



The Electrolux is built with an air filter and a chemically treated, enclosed dust bag, which allow air circulation necessary for strong suction, but prevent re-circulation of dust or germs back into the air. Supported on runners like those of a sled, the cleaner can be pulled over rugs without marring them. Sprayer attachment sets for wax, paint, moth preventive liquid, or for rug shampoo



Eureka's tank cleaner, primarily for above-the-floor cleaning, plus their upright (see page 73) plus a set of cleaning tools usable on either model interchangeably constitute a complete system for all home cleaning chores. With one kept upstairs, you spare yourself up-and-down carrying. The tank has a toe-tip switch and a pair of small rear wheels for easy moving around the room



Universal has equipped their tank type cleaner with a Tattle-Tale light, which tells when it is time to empty the dust bag. This is a warning sign, since tank cleaners work on the principle of powerful suction, and if the dust bag is clogged with dirt, the cleaner cannot work efficiently. Like others, this model also has a toe switch, so you need not bend over to turn it on and off

TANK TYPE VACUUM

UNCONVENTIONAL TYPES



General Electric's tank cleaner, like other makes, is equipped with a complete set of special cleaning tools for above-the-floor dusting. The crevice tool is an aid on difficult upholstery, as well as on radiators, hard-to-reach corners. In addition, there are tools for smooth upholstery, smooth floors and walls, general dusting, a power sprayer and a de-mothing sprayer, and a special tool for rugs



The floor nozzle of the Royal tank is built with a floating brush for efficient sweeping action. It also is swiveled to adjust easily to difficult corners. This and other tools, including the important sprayer, come in a "valise" (see page 148) which is as easy to store as it is to carry from room to room. The Royal is mounted on runners that glide easily over carpets without marring them



With the Sanitizor, you never see or touch infectious dirt. You destroy it complete in its sealed filter-fiber bag



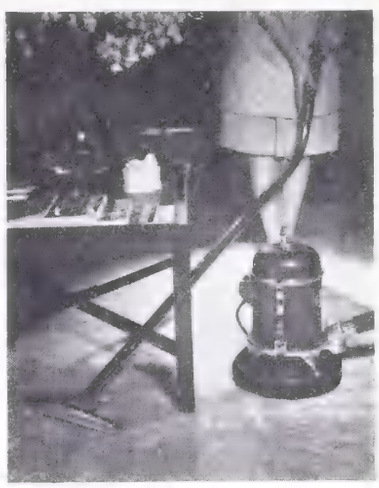
The McAllister bagless cleaner handles both dry dirt and liquid. With it, you can wash, rinse, dry rugs, upholstery in place



In the Filter Queen, dust collects in sanitary metal container, empties like a waste basket. Empty only once a month



Filter Queen's cellulose filter cone filters all air clean so dust remains sealed in container, cannot escape



The Rexair traps dust and germs in water in basin, from which it cannot escape. At same time air is humidified



Dust-laden water is easily disposed of after each use of Rexair by pouring down drain. Basin washes like any utensil

CLEANERS



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ANGELO PINTO

2 WATERING POTS

by Agnes Rothery

A number of years ago a friend sent me a watering pot. It is an enormous one handmade of pewter. It came from France, and I have used it constantly for a dozen years. It is not only of special handiness on account of its size, but it is so handsome that it is a decoration on the terrace or in the patio. When ours is not being wielded by my good right arm, it stands on the rim of our dipping pool.

The other day I was working at some distance from the pool, and, needing a watering pot, seized the galvanized tin one which hangs in the garage. It is not as large as my old pewter one and, therefore, I was surprised when, after filling it with water, I found I could hardly lift it. Before I had lugged it to the appointed place, my fingers were indented to the bone by the sharp narrow handle. I thought my arm must have been pulled several inches beyond its normal length, and I was sure my back was broken in two places.

The answer, of course, is simple. The pewter pot is not only lighter in weight, but it is so designed—with a large rounded hollow handle which curves from the base of the spout over the top to the middle of the back—that it is perfectly balanced. The handle doesn't cut one's hand. The weight does not pull on either arm or back. And yet it holds a gallon more water than the other.

Briefly, the beautiful French pot of classic line is more functional than the ugly new one, which looks as if it were highly utilitarian.

Nursing my bruised fingers and massaging my aching arm, I pondered the matter. Any implement which is perfectly adapted to its purpose can be —and should be—beautiful. Everything our eyes rest upon, or our hands touch, should be suited to its purpose and, according to its essential nature, decorative. If every pitcher poured without dripping, if vases were not top-heavy, if handles grew out of teacups in such a way that they were not easily broken, if every object from hearth (*Continued on page* 164)

Welcome Home!

by Helen Markel Herrmann



DRAWING BY JANE MILLER

The white ribbon of the Hudson Tunnel spun itself and looped onto the gray spool of the Westside Highway. Across the handspan of the Hudson River the lights were coming on, spelling out their nocturnal passwords: "Fry with Spry," they said, flashing imperatively. "The Time Is Now 5:42. Time to Fry with Spry." The gray strand unwound past the fading docks, past the *Queen Elizabeth* standing arrogant watch above her brood of barges. A great warehouse loomed up out of the dusk bearing a life-size poster of three servicemen leering happily at each other. "Welcome Home," it said, "From the New York City Dept. of Sanitation."

I looked across at the ruptured duck in the lapel of David's new tweed jacket, and I shifted a little to badger the butterflies in my stomach. The Department of Sanitation meant us. We had driven 3,000 miles across America to return to the Spry sign and the gray wash of the Hudson and the neon-dawn of night in New York. The Herrmanns were home again.

I reached over and touched David's hand on the wheel.

"I'm scared," I said slowly.

"Scared?" he said. "When the Department of Sanitation (*Continued on page* 132)

QUILTS AS BEDSPREADS

The bright pattern and varied texture of a fine quilt can call the decorating tune of a bedroom. Just use the quilt as a bedspread. If it is too short or too narrow in itself to dress the bed completely, these nine pictures show you how you can cope with that shortcoming

HOME OF MR. AND MRS. SIGMUND LIVINGSTON



LUCILLE S. ULLMAN, DECORATOR

Patchwork quilts started out as a frugal dodge of our foremothers in the days of Colonial fabric shortages. Frugal modern twist is to split one old quilt between twin beds, adding chintz ruffles all around, thus increasing length and width so spreads hang gracefully. Underskirts match.

Early American rooms have no corner on the quilt. One like this, its pattern sharp against the textured white of the quilting, has a surprisingly sophisticated look in the kind of room we call "cleaned-up Traditional" or "Twentieth Century Colonial." Underskirt is draped rather than ruffled.

KELLY-SCOVILLE, DECORATORS

PHOTOGRAPH BY EMELIE DANIELSON NICHOLSON



HOME OF MISS BARBARA STANWYCK

GEORGE HALL DECORATOR

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD L. PARKER

by Marion Gough

Old quilts, made to be used under coverlets, aren't full enough to hang down over bedsides or long enough to lap under and over pillows. Modern quilt-bedspreads, like the tailored one above, are designed first as spreads with ample hang-over all around, are then quilted.

Few quilts can do a dress-up job on a tester bed without benefit of underskirt. Underskirt traditionally matches the canopy, in ruffled organdy, voile, dotted Swiss or chintz. Its length varies with the height of the bed. Idea is to hide bare space between bed and floor.



HOME OF MRS. SHARRETT SIMS

HOME OF LOUISE BOGGS, DECORATOR



GEORGE WISEMAN, DECORATOR

First quilts were "crazy quilts," a thrifty, hit or miss patching together of every hoarded scrap of fabric. But pioneer women had their aesthetic side, too, soon created patterns for their patching which are true folk art. Above is a version of the "Flower Basket."

The quilt at left was too short to make a turn-over cover for pillows. The simple solution was not to cover the pillows with the spread at all, but to give them cases edged in one of the quilt colors and stand them against the wall on box spring and mattress.

At right, see how a handsome quilt and a built-up canopy headboard covered in quilting combine to make an imposing piece of furniture of a box spring and mattress in a tiny room. You could "eke out" an old quilt and make it drape to the floor like this by added quilting. Appliquéed scroll would hide joining.



HOME OF MR. & MRS. ERNST E. LEHMANN — L. T. LUKE KELLY, DECORATOR

Authentic quilting patterns are stitched in blocks about 12″ square, then sewed together. If you have a quilt that needs enlarging, you might stitch a few squares and add them to it. All old quilts are not worth this. Don't waste your effort unless yours has good, firm fabric. Fine quilt at right is the "Eight-Point Star."

The pattern is not the sole criterion for judging a quilt. The fine-ness of the quilting itself, the intricate stitching which transforms an ordinary piece of cotton goods into so exquisitely textured a fabric as the quilt below are points on which rare quilts are scored. If you own one like this, you own a work of art.



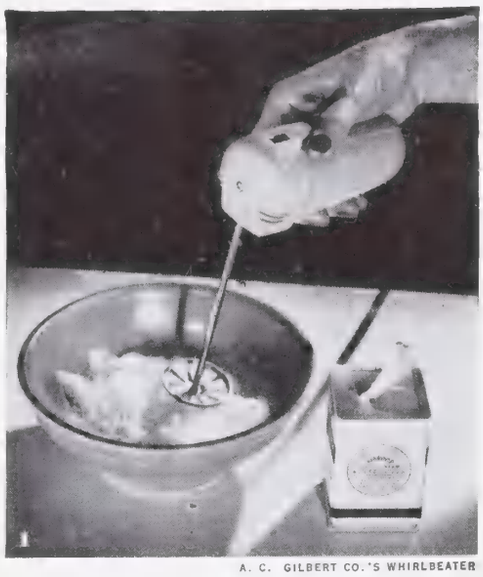
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QUILTS AS BEDSPREADS

Need an extra pair of hands?

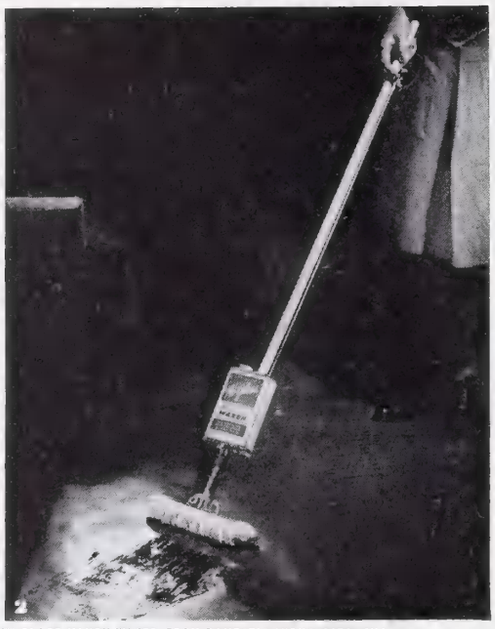
When there are not enough hours in the day for your household tasks, and you wish you were two persons instead of one, it's time to employ inexpensive new "tools" to take over



A. C. GILBERT CO.'S WHIRLBEATER

1. This powerful portable electric mixer will do most any mixing job. But it has no hard-to-clean beaters, poses no storage problem. (Hang it on a special wall hanger or lay it in a drawer.) No special mixing bowls required. Use in saucer, cup, or bowl

2. It takes but a minute, and no stooping or kneeling, to pull the trigger on this waxer. Wax is released from the permanently attached container in the quantity you want, and all you do is spread it over the floor with the renewable yarn spreader



HI-GLOSS HANDY WAXER FROM DOMESTIC INDUSTRIES, INC.



MALONE PRODUCT CORP.'S SPEEDIWAXER

3. Pour your favorite self-polishing wax into the handle of this waxer, press the button, and there you are. You can get into corners and under furniture with the triangular lambswool head mounted on a swivel. No more hands-and-knees floor polishing



MAGNAGRIP FROM R. E. PHELON CO.



RUBBERMAID PRODUCTS FROM WOOSTER RUBBER CO.

4. Don't waste motions and temper hunting through the kitchen drawer for paring knife or scissors. Keep them in plain sight within easy reach, on a magnetic tool rack. Just touch the tool to the rack and it stays put until you want it again

5. This drain mat and dish drainer may look the same as prewar models. But they aren't. Now they're made of a new synthetic material which won't get soft and gooey, come off on your dishes. For soap, grease, heat, and hot water do not affect them



DINETTE TABLE FROM IDEAL STEEL PRODUCTS

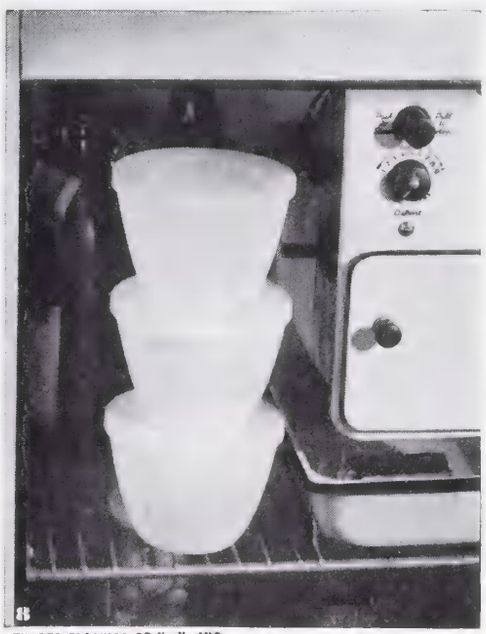


6. A fold-up dinette set is one of those double-duty devices of infinite uses for small places. In meal preparation, the 25" x 40" white porcelain top is a valuable extra work table. Push it wherever you want on its tubular steel supports

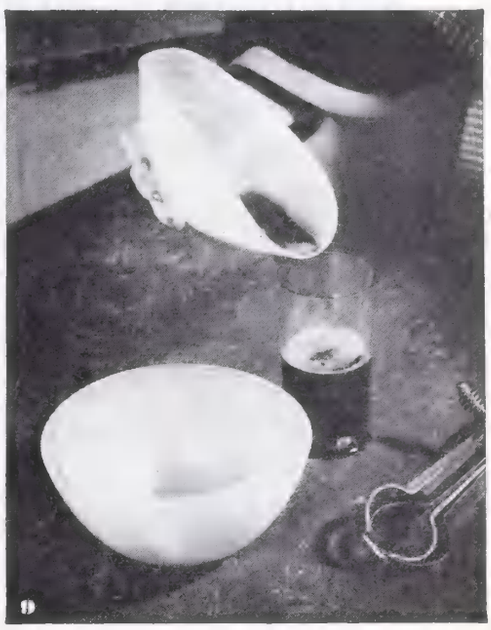
7. In the same place, or moved elsewhere, swing out the upholstered benches, and you have a dinette for four people. You can use as many electric appliances as you want at the table, with but one cord from wall to built-in dual electric outlet

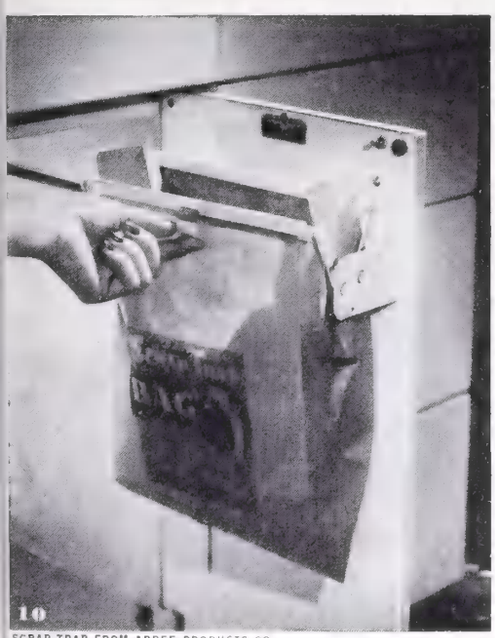
8. Now you can have kitchen containers for many uses of translucent white or pastel plastic. Light in weight, they are durable, will not chip or crack or break if dropped, are odorless, tasteless, non-toxic, flex easily for cleaning, pouring

9. Ridges in the covers of these plastic refrigerator dishes permit stacking without toppling. Mixing bowls come in nests of three sizes, the largest 7" in diameter. Just squeeze the bowl and it flexes to size and shape you want for pouring

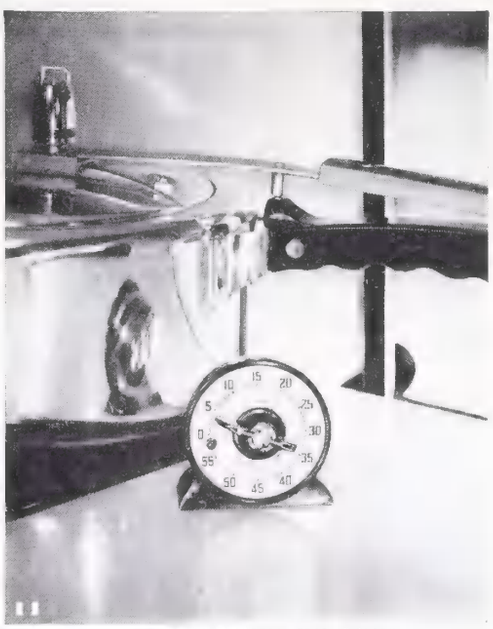


TUPPER PLASTICS OF N. Y. INC.





SCRAP-TRAP FROM ARBEE PRODUCTS CO.



UNIVERSAL MINUTE TIMER FROM LANDERS, FRARY & CLARK

10. Unpleasant garbage handling is eliminated by a new device for installation wherever convenient. Just screw up the white enamel frame, clamp in the waterproof, disposable paper bag. It locks open for filling, locks shut for confining disagreeable odors

11. You needn't be a clock-watcher any longer! You can set a household timer for any period from a minute to an hour, knowing a bell will ring when the time is up. A special convenience for short-time cooking periods required by pressure cookers



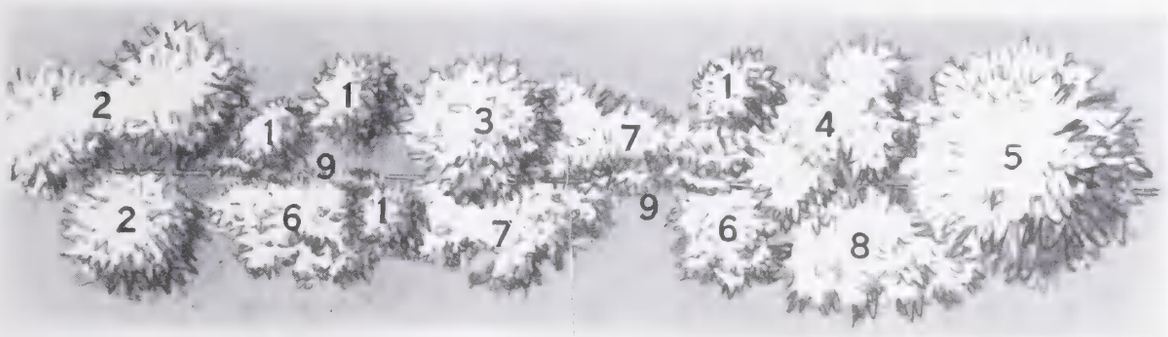
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If you live in the country, plant

WINDBREAKS AND HEDGEROWS

You don't have to live on a prairie to have a windbreak for your property, or live in New England for a hedgerow. Plantings of evergreens and berried shrubs are useful anywhere in America where wind is a limiting factor, or where you want a year-round screen for privacy and beauty and for a lure to attract song birds

PLAN FOR A HEDGEROW, 20′ by 80′



EVERGREENS AND DECIDUOUS TREES

1. A native juniper or cypress. Use four plants, all zones. **2.** Sour gum *(Nyssa sylvatica)*, three plants, or Siberian elm *(pumila)*, zones 4 and 5, or evergreen elm, zone 6. **3.** A flowering crabapple, peach, or plum, all zones. **4.** Cornelian cherry *(Cornus mas)*, use four plants in zones 1, 2, and 4. In zones 3 and 7, substitute Natal plum *(Carissa grandiflora)*, and in zones 5 and 6, substitute mountain ash. **5.** Pin oak, one tree, in zones 1, 4, 6; evergreen oak, zones 2, 3, 7; and Russian mulberry *(Morus alba tatarica)* in 5.

BERRIED SHRUBS AND VINE

6. Wild rose *(R. lucida, humilis,* etc.), six plants, all zones. **7.** Gray dogwood *(Cornus racemosa)*, 12 plants, all zones but 5, where use *Symphoricarpos*, and 7, use cotoneaster. **8.** Shining sumac, eight plants, zones 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6; boulder raspberry *(deliciosa)* in 5; Graber firethorn in 7. **9.** Bittersweet *(Celastrus)*, two plants, in zones 1, 2, and 4; Virginia creeper in zone 5; Carolina jasmine *(Gelsemium)* in 3 and 7; and common white jasmine in zone 6. To check on your own plant zone, see map on page 155.

by Alice L. Dustan



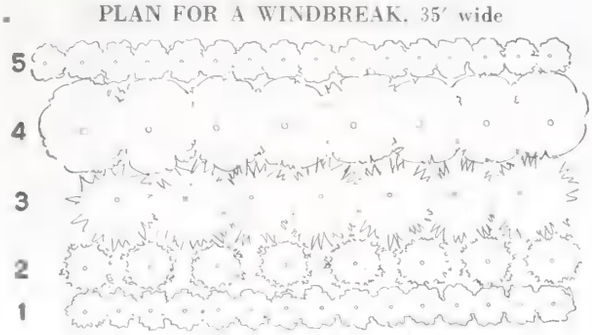
Picture at the boundary of your property a planting of trees and shrubs that offers beauty and interest every time you step outdoors—even now in mid-winter. If you live in the country and have space for a wide border of mixed evergreens and berried shrubs, plant a windbreak or a hedgerow or both, and you'll have a windproof and handsome background for your garden, as well as a tall boundary to give your property complete privacy. In addition, you will find such planting irresistible to birds as feeding grounds and nesting sites.

You should locate your windbreak on the side or sides of your property toward the prevailing winds. Include both evergreens and deciduous trees and shrubs (see plan right), and plant them in closely spaced rows with the tallest row in the center.

Where the planting is to protect your house, driveway, or walk from drifting snow, be sure to allow at least 30 feet—40 is better—between the area you are protecting and the inner row of the windbreak. The reason: snow piles up during wind-driven storms for a distance of 10 to 30 feet behind a windbreak. If, on the other hand, you wish to shield your garden, locate the windbreak as close to it as you wish, allowing a few feet between flower border and barrier for spread of roots and branches. Here its chief value is in protecting tall herbaceous plants from wind damage in the summer and in encouraging the snow to pile up and act as a protective mulch in winter.

Hedgerows (see plan above) were really developed by birds and squirrels as they paused to consume wild berries or to bury nuts at the unplowed and often stony edges of fields. The (*Continued on page* 165)

PLAN FOR A WINDBREAK, 35′ wide



Row 1. Use a honeysuckle, elaeagnus, cotoneaster or privet. Row 2. Plant native juniper or cypress in all of the zones. Row 3. Pine (choose Austrian, Canary Island or Australian). Row 4. A sweet gum *(Liquidambar)* or honeylocust *(Gleditsia)*. Row 5. A honeysuckle, elaeagnus or privet, in all the zones. Space the shrubs four feet apart, and the deciduous and evergreen trees eight feet apart. Thin as the planting crowds.

FREEZING SUMMER FRUITS STARTS NOW

By Donald K. Tressler and Lucy Long

The chart below lists the fruit varieties that respond most deliciously to home freezing. Order them now, freeze them next summer, and savor them next winter















Product	***means especially desirable **means desirable *means satisfactory	Indications of Best Maturity for Freezing
APRICOTS Excellent for making jams, butters, pies, upside-down cake, and puréed baby food. As a plain dessert, they are not usually preferred over the canned product.	***Pacific Northwest & California*** Tilton*** Royal** Blenheim** Moorpark**	This fruit has the best flavor for freezing when it is well-colored and soft-ripe.
BLACKBERRIES and DEWBERRIES Boysenberries, youngberries, nectarberries, and loganberries retain flavor very well. These may be served as a dessert, a topping or flavor for ice cream, or in pies, etc. Common blackberries and dewberries are best in jams or jellies.	***Southern State*** Boysenberries*** Youngberries*** Early Harvest** Eldorado** ***Pacific Northwest*** Boysenberries*** Youngberries*** Nectarberries*** Olympic* Oregon Evergreen* Lucretia* Loganberries** ***California*** Boysenberries*** Youngberries*** Nectarberries*** Loganberries**	When berries are best for freezing they will be soft-ripe, have uniform color and a glossy skin.
BLUEBERRIES Freeze well. Most often used in pies but are excellent in muffins, cakes, and also as a simple dessert.	***New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic*** Concord*** Pioneer*** Cabot*** Wild Low Bush*** Rubel*** Rancocas*** Jersey*** Wild High Bush*** ***Pacific Northwest*** Rancocas** Adams* Harding* Grover Sam* Katherine** June** Rubel** Cabot* Alaska Wild* Jersey**	Select when soft-ripe for freezing, when flavor is sweet.
CHERRIES, SOUR Fully the equivalent of the fresh in pies in which the frozen product is most commonly used. They are also excellent used in upside-down cakes, jam and jelly, and served as a simple dessert.	***New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic*** Montmorency*** English Morello** ***Middle West*** Montmorency*** English Morello** ***Pacific Northwest*** Montmorency***	Well-colored, soft-ripe fruit will make the best frozen product.
CHERRIES, SWEET Do not retain their flavor as well as the sour ones. However, they make very good pies and simple desserts and add variety and color to mixed fruit salads.	***New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic*** Bing* Napoleon* Windsor* Lambert* ***Southern States*** Napoleon* ***Pacific Northwest*** Lambert** Black Tartarian** Bing* Republican* Bacon* Napoleon* ***California*** Lambert** Bing** Napoleon*	Soft, fully-ripe fruit is best.
CURRANTS Are used principally in pies and in making jams and jelly. For these purposes they are equivalent to fresh.	***New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic*** Perfection*** All other varieties	Wait to pick until all green has disappeared from fruit clusters, and they are deep, uniform color with soft-ripe texture.
GOOSEBERRIES Freeze very well as there is little change in flavor or color. Excellent for pies and for making jam.	All varieties everywhere	Pick when sugar content is high and fruit is well colored.
GRAPES Neither the eastern nor California grapes freeze well as they lose much flavor and become very soft. On the other hand, the southern Muscadine grapes retain color and flavor very well.	***Southern States*** Muscadine* Thomas* ***Pacific Northwest*** Thompson Seedless* Muscat*	Well-colored, firm-ripe fruit is superior for freezing.
NECTARINES Have more flavor than peaches and may be advantageously sliced and frozen for use as a simple dessert or for ice cream.	***Pacific Northwest & California*** Stanwick*** Gower*** New Boy***	Soft, fully ripe fruit which has ripened on the tree is preferable; however, it should not be so soft as to be mushy.

ORANGES

Frozen as juice there is little change in flavor if package is air-tight. Sections freeze well but tend to lose flavor during long storage.

Southern States

Valencia*** Florida Pineapple** Seedling**

California

Valencia***

Tree-ripened fruit, fully mature, is preferable. When this is impossible, make selection of soft-ripe fruit.



PEACHES

If properly selected and prepared are one of the most delicious frozen fruits. However they darken readily and therefore must be kept under syrup at all times. Excellent used in any way the fresh or canned are used.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

J. H. Hale*** Primrose*** Marigold**
Hale Haven*** Eclipse** Vedette**
South Haven*** Elberta** Viceroy**
Oriole*** Ideal** Veteran**
Massasoit**

Southern States

J. H. Hale*** Eclipse*
Hale Haven*** Oriole*
South Haven*** Belle*
Elberta**

Pacific Northwest

J. H. Hale*** Candoka***

California

J. H. Hale*** Rio Oso Gem***
Indian Blood***

Middle West

J. H. Hale*** South Haven***
Hale Haven*** Elberta**

Soft—but not so soft as to be mushy—fruit ripened on tree is the only kind which produces a product of high quality.



PEARS

Upon freezing, pears lose flavor and become mushy, so are not considered highly desirable as a fruit for freezing.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Bartlett*

California

Bartlett*

May be picked green and left to ripen until fully ripe but still firm.

PINEAPPLE

Is usually very delicious, but sometimes it tends to develop an undesirable flavor because of enzyme action.

Any standard market variety may be frozen.

The vine-ripened Hawaiian pineapple is best.



PLUMS and FRESH PRUNES

Make excellent pies and are also well suited for making jams and jellies.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Stanley*** Redwing** Yellow Egg**
Hungarian Prune*** Damson** German Prune**
Italian Prune**

Middle West

Redwing** German Prune**
Damson** Italian Prune**
Yellow Egg** Stanley**

Southern States

Damson**

Pacific Northwest & California

Italian Prune***

Freeze plums and fresh prunes when they are soft-ripe.



RASPBERRIES (Black)

The black raspberry retains its flavor better than any other raspberry. Ideal for use as an ice cream topping or flavor. Also excellent for making jelly. A little too seedy for use as a simple dessert.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Bristol***

Southern States

Cumberland*

Pacific Northwest

Bristol*** Cumberland* Plum Farmer* Munger* Gregg*

Uniformly colored, soft-ripe fruit is best.

RASPBERRIES (Purple)

This berry has a more pronounced flavor than the red raspberry. May be used in the same way as recommended for the black raspberry, but it is a little better for dessert purposes because it has smaller, less prominent seeds.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Marion*** Sodus*** Columbian***

Pacific Northwest

Sodus*** Columbian***

Uniformly colored, soft-ripe fruit is best.



RASPBERRIES (Red)

This is the favorite frozen raspberry although it does not have as much flavor. However, it is preferred by most persons because it is so acceptable as a simple dessert. May also be used for any of the purposes recommended above for black raspberries.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Cuthbert*** Lloyd George** Viking*** Latham** Ranere (St. Regis)***
Herbert*** Chief*** Taylor**

Southern States

Chief*** Latham**
Ranere (St. Regis)***

Middle West

Cuthbert***

California

Cuthbert***

Pacific Northwest

Cuthbert*** Lloyd George** Antwerp* Chief*
Tahoma*** Viking** Utah* King*
Washington*** Cayuga** Marlboro* Herbert*
Ranere (St. Regis)** Latham** Newburgh** Erskine Park**

Uniformly colored, soft-ripe fruit is best but take care not to allow fruit to become too ripe. Over-ripe fruit is very difficult to handle.



STRAWBERRIES

The most popular of the frozen fruits, but they require very careful selection and handling in order to get a good frozen product. Those varieties listed under "Especially Desirable" are definitely superior for freezing. Some varieties will not retain flavor or texture very well.

New England, New York, & Middle Atlantic

Marshall*** Clermont** Big Late** Dorsett*
Klondike*** Chesapeake** Howard 17 (Premier)* Progressive*
Vanrouge*** Blakemore** Bliss* Redheart*
Burgandy*** Fruitland** Howard Supreme* Catskill*
July Morn** Big Joe** Fairfax* Culver*

Southern States

Klondike*** Howard 17 (Premier)*
Blakemore*** Dorsett*
Missionary*

Middle West

Candy** Progressive*
Jersey Giant** Parson's Beauty*
Dunlap** Gibson*
Howard 17 (Premier)* Aroma*

Pacific Northwest

Marshall*** Dorsett* Redheart**
Corvallis*** Fairfax* Ettersburg #121*

Allow berries to vine ripen until they attain full red color and are soft-ripe but take care not to allow them to become over-ripe as they will then become mushy when handled and frozen and will not be as good a flavor.



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REMODELING
CAN BE YOUR BEST BET

If you can't build a new house, don't brush off that down-at-the-heel older one too fast. Like the house on the following five pages, it may have more remodeling possibilities than first meet the eye. It may have the big lot and generous interior you want but can't afford in building a new house. It may be in a most desirable neighborhood. *And*, using both imagination and caution, you may remodel it into a more livable, personable house than a new one

by Will Mehlhorn

To the armchair home planner there is no house like an old house, provided he can tear it apart and put it together again differently. For house remodeling can seem a fascinating, presto-changeo stunt. It can seem a dramatic game of "before" and "after" where you can turn a hillbilly hovel into a dream house, or make a quaint old ruin into an even quainter home. But that is not the way remodeling can be your best bet. The successful remodeler is a ground-gripping practical planner, not a trick change artist. If he buys a house to remodel he never fails to reckon the cost of the old house, plus cost of remodeling versus cost of a new house.

First of all, and before you cast sheep eyes at any old house with remodeling in mind, learn its state of health. Every existing house is an individual case, of varying physical worth. Before you even think of buying or remodeling it, learn how structurally sound it is. For this, most persons need an architect's or engineer's help, perhaps both. Have foundations, drainage, sills, plates, joists, framing, walls, chimney, windows, roof, gutters, heating, plumbing, and wiring systems checked thoroughly. For it is these "innards" of a house which largely determine its worth. They don't charm your eye as fine exterior features and proportions do, but they need as much consideration. If you disregard them, you may spend your life nursing a sickly house.

Of prime importance, too, if you buy to remodel, is the neighborhood and lot. A remodeling candidate will likely be in an older neighborhood. If it is one where stores and the like are already edging out houses, it won't be a satisfactory investment as a home for very long. So find out what zoning regulations exist. There are still protected older neighborhoods with outmoded but not outworn houses. Many are in the best parts of town with fine shade trees, plantings, desirable views, good-size lots, paved streets, sidewalks, handy schools and shopping districts, and existing utilities (water supply, sewer system, electricity, gas) not always available in new sub-divisions.

If sound, the houses of 20-, 30-, and 40-year vintage in such neighborhoods are often fine prospects for simple remodeling. Using new planning ideas—flexible rooms, built-in features, large glass areas—their comfortably roomy interiors can be reshaped into exceptionally livable quarters. And they have a cubage, a spaciousness, which would be prohibitively costly in new home building.

Livability is the first consideration in any worthwhile remodeling. Lopping off top-heavy eaves and extra porches which darken rooms, repairing and repainting, giving the exterior an up-to-snuff appearance is usually essential on most older houses. But if you are wise, you won't shoot your bankroll on the outside of the house. Restoring an ancient, mouldering farmhouse to its original state, turning a quaint but broken-down barn into a house can be fantastically costly folly. (*Continued on page* 91)

Smart remodeling creates study-playroom from old pergola. House on next 5 pages







The original front porch of bungalow (on facing page) limited outdoor living to the rocking chair brigade. But this new brick terrace behind the house and next to the dining room (notice bay window and door) forms a delightful spot, large, private, and handy enough for meals. It makes a good annex to the new day room, too, inside the other door shown above. Such an outdoor corner adds much livability to an old house.

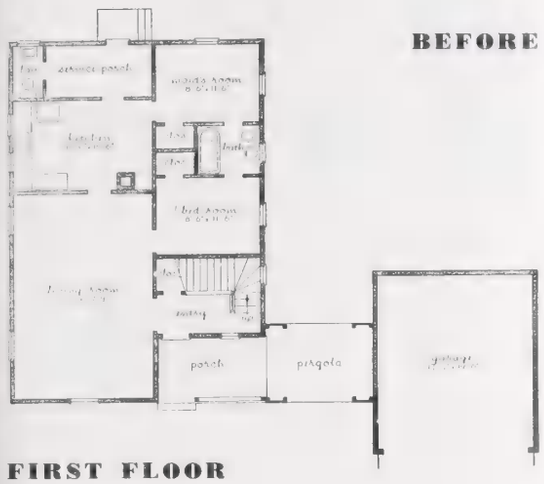
REMODELING CAN BE YOUR BEST BET

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When you finish it, you may have something pretty to look at, but it is probably pretty poor to live in. This is the kind of remodeling that inspired the story, "How We Found An Old Barn—And Let It Alone."

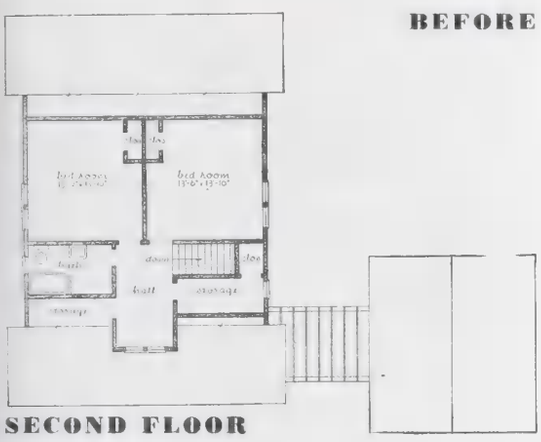
The house shown here was no such remodeling project. Beginning life as an early 1900 California bungalow, it was a sad but solid little job when architect Jay Ellsworth took stock of its possibilities for Mr. and Mrs. George B. Templeton, its owners. It had no tumble-down charm to snare the eye, but it did have a plan which lent itself to improvement with surprising aptitude. From the "before" plans on this page, the "after" plans on the next pages, the photographs below, you can see how it was expanded for better livability while keeping fairly well within its original limitations. The most evident change was raising the front half of the roof so the house was a full two stories high on the street side. This created a new front bedroom and dressing room and permitted a chimney for fireplaces in the living room and main bedroom upstairs. At the back of the house the original service porch was made part of the kitchen, while above it a new shed dormer enlarged the main bedroom and added a dressing room and bath. Between the garage and house a pergola was replaced by a one-room wing. It not only gave the house a new day room (paved in brick it serves as a play space for children, workroom-study, and mud room in bad weather), but helped to form the delightful court on the facing page.

BEFORE



FIRST FLOOR

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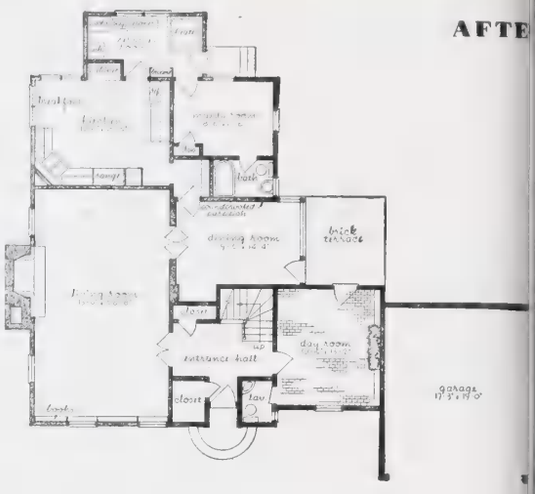
SECOND FLOOR

The "befores" above indicate the poor planning of the jalopy-like bungalow at right. Kitchen and first floor bedroom opened directly off the living room, windows were inadequate, kitchen had bad layout, maid's room shared bath, storage space was badly placed and arranged. "After" plans are shown on following pages. At left, remodeled front shows metamorphosis of house. Raised front half of roof allows new, full-ceiling height, front bedroom, and dressing room. New windows are large. Bright paint job and fresh architectural character give a wholly new value to the house.



AFTER **BEFORE**





AFTE

FIRST FLOOR

First floor "after" plans show changes largely within original walls. New day room uses existing garage and living room walls. New service porch added, old front porch enclosed for powder room, vestibule, closet. Above, living room looking to hall; new hall space created by shifted front door.



DECORATOR, GEORGE HALL. PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



Living room, above, can take dark green walls because of stark white ceiling and dado, white timbers of new raised hearth fireplace. Windows have dark lower curtains for privacy (lined with white,) upper ones which admit light. They look alike outside.

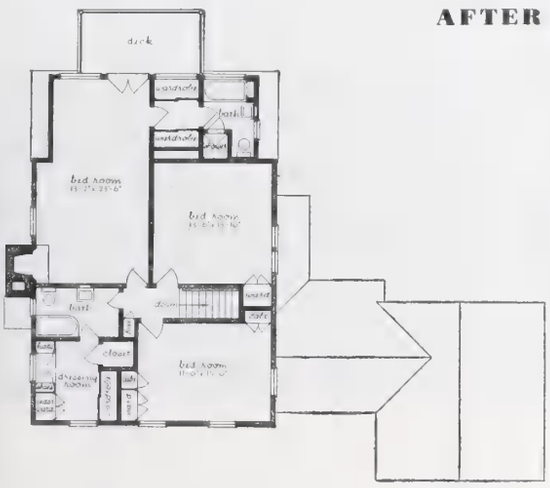
New kitchen, left, is as homespun and habitable as farmhouse one. It adds space of old service porch and lavatory. Genuine ceiling beams carry weight of removed partitions. Niche built for pine cupboard, handy dining corner with lazy susan table.

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Second story "after" plans show more changes upstairs than down. Owners added new bedroom at front, enlarged one bedroom at rear, and built in fine storage, dressing, and bath facilities for both. Extra attraction is rear sun deck.

AFTER



SECOND FLOOR

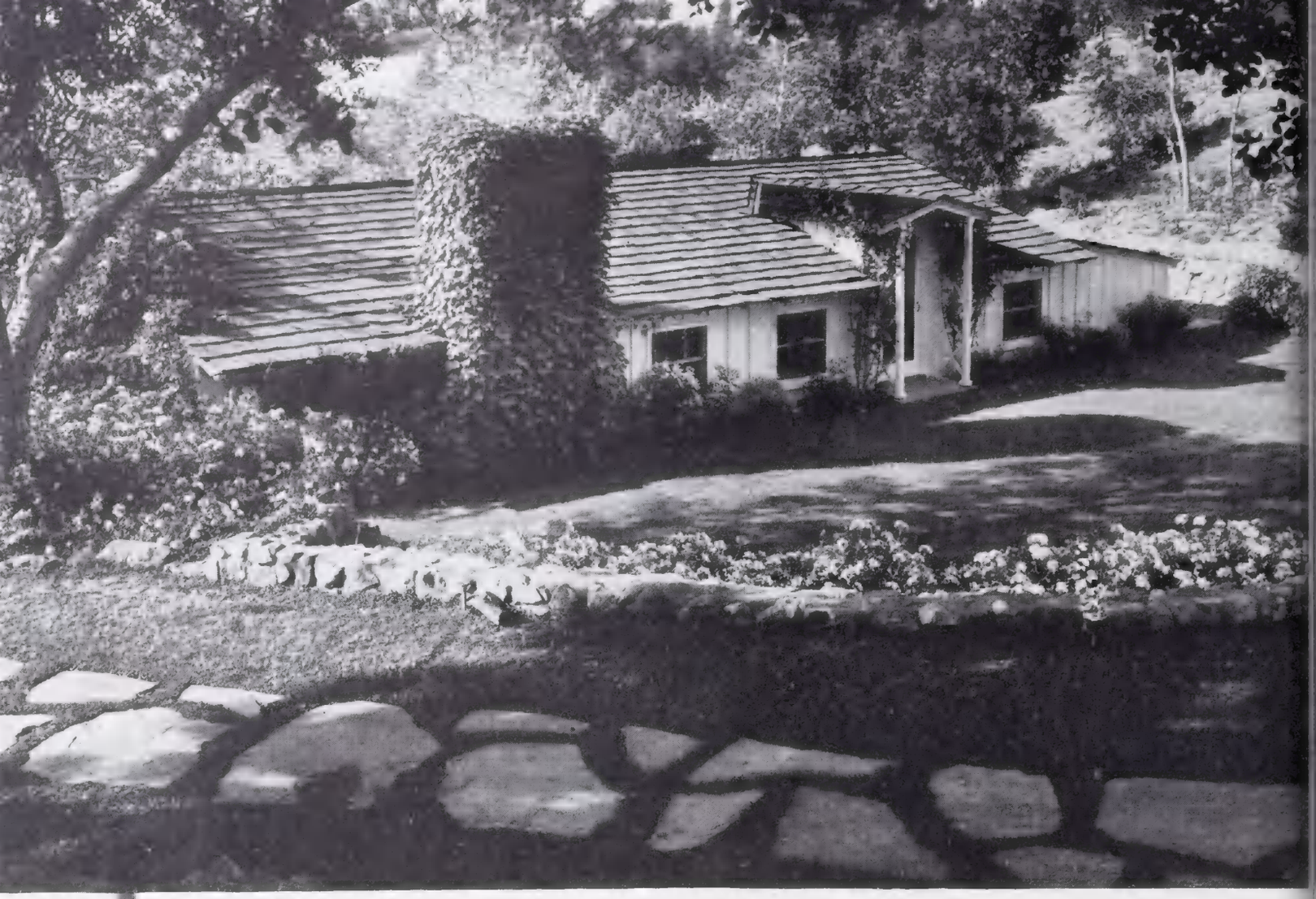
HOME OF MR. AND MRS. GEORGE B. TEMPLETON



Two young boys of family have new front bedroom (above). Double doors are on wardrobe closet, single door to shirt, sweater, etc., shelves. Wallpaper on wall behind beds is lacquered for washing. Toy cupboard in wall.



New shed dormer at back of second story adds about 105 square feet to the master bedroom, left. Wide window, glazed, double Dutch doors open on deck over new service porch. Fireplace at front of room, bath at rear right.



This half story is the back of the house Cliff May designed and built for movie producer Sidney Franklin. The doorway you see and the stair inside connects this terrace with floor level. A week-end house now, it will become a guest house when main one is built.



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LITTLE HOUSE

for a couple with

BIG IDEAS....

A small house needn't mean small rooms. Young planners, who prefer spacious livability to little boxy rooms, will take to this scheme—a 20-foot square room for living, eating, sleeping, plus a kitchen and a bath. It's as casual as slippers, slacks, or most newlyweds themselves

By NED MORRIS

Although this is really a little week-end house on considerable acreage, it offers excellent pointers for average small-house planning. Except for the maid's suite in a small wing, it is just about the *amount* of house young veterans or other first home builders might afford in today's costly building market—modest living and sleeping space, bath and kitchen. But instead of pinching out a separate but mean living room, dining room, and bedroom from a limited floor area, they are all combined here in *one* room. One room big and broad enough to be truly comfortable, gracious, and soul satisfying. Service rooms are adjacent, also generous storage and dressing space.

As a week-end house it has the advantage of exceptional outdoor surroundings. But the way it enlarges the indoor living space of a small house with a big porch and terrace is a good trick, too, on practically any modest lot. This porch adds a whole extra room to the house much of the year, and its day-beds turn it into guest sleeping quarters. The easy-going arrangements of the house, simple but eminently livable, are the kind we accept readily in vacation houses. If ample living and breathing space continues to be so costly to build, this is the kind of planning we could sensibly apply to year-around small houses as well. It gets around the strait-jacket living of the cramped small house.



An outdoor terrace like this simple brick one can enlarge the actual space inside any small house. It's at the front of the house here because the road is a half mile distant and there is no problem of privacy. The front door to the house is at this right end of the porch.



Screened porch runs across front of house and looks out over ground-cover planting of petunias. House, built for about $6,500 in 1941 (would cost much more today), is in Los Angeles, and is now the home of Y. Frank Freeman. See next pages for full story.



For sleeping and eating as well as living, this is one big room for two. Beds, neatly framed in by pine wainscoting and shelving, flank a fireplace so big in scale it makes the 20′ by 20′ room seem even bigger. The extended hob at each side of the hearth keeps fireplace accessories off floor.

Simply tailored beds fit right into living room décor (with no bedroomy look), and make a conversation group around fireplace for daytime use. Large dressing room and bath, through door at left, avoids any problem of strewing clothes all over while living room is being used for sleeping.

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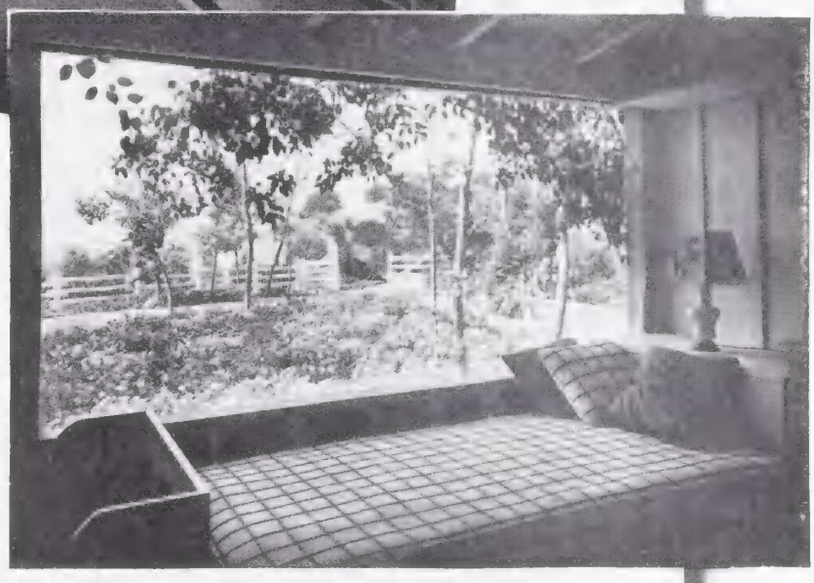
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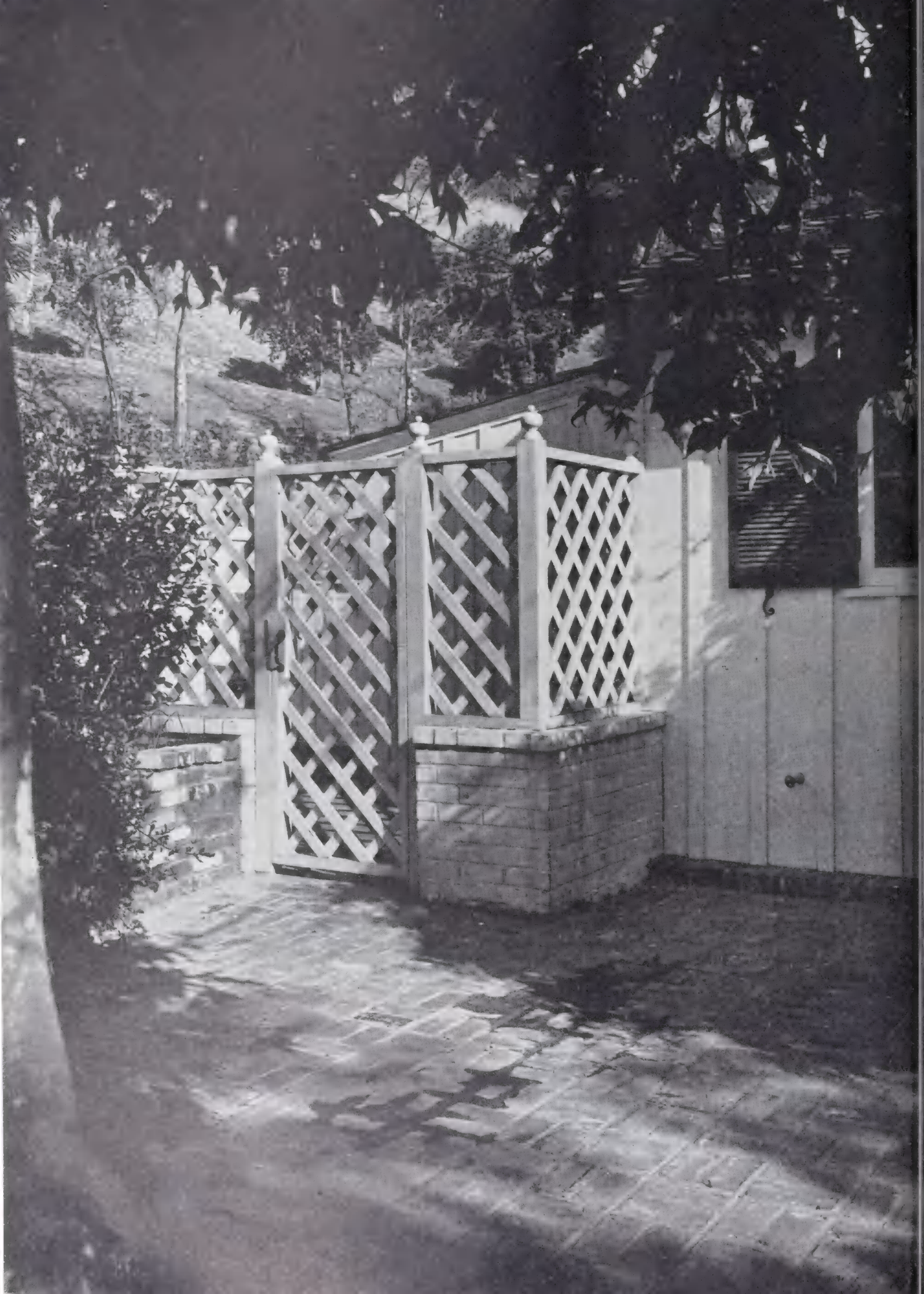


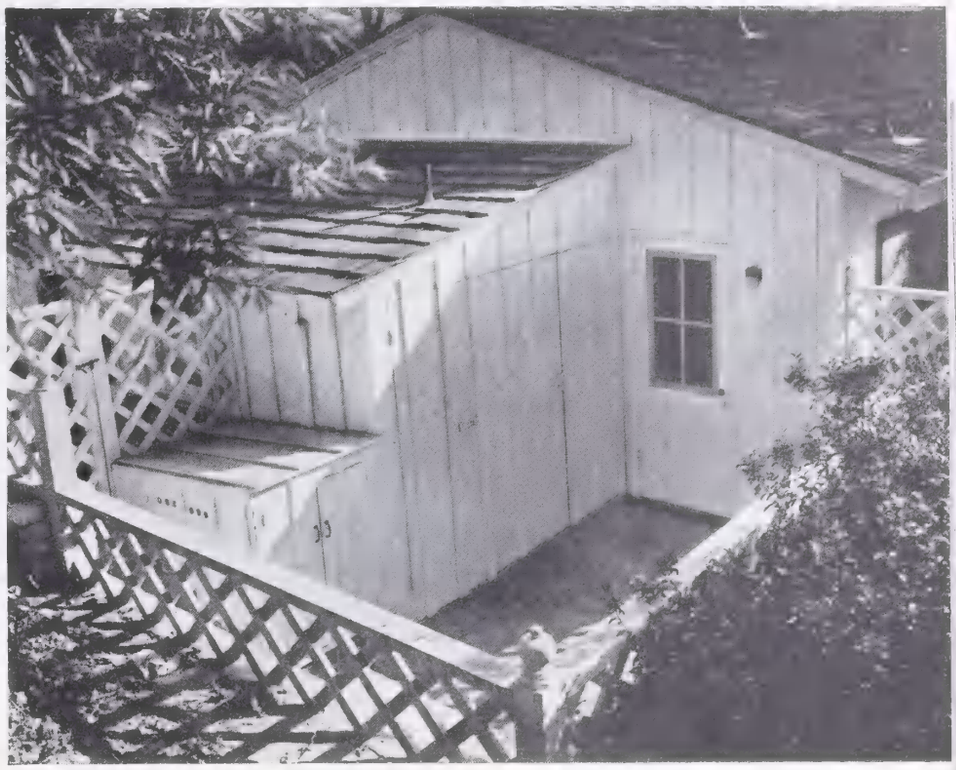
The front porch, above, looks over a valley view too good to miss most of the day, so it is an all-around room, too, like the living room. Beds put up house guests, table at right is used for porch meals. All of handsomely painted yellow furniture does general duty as well. Notice how space is provided to roll up porch blinds so they won't obstruct the view and how screening is built in, not cut up by dividers, for same reason.

GEORGE HALL, DECORATOR



Front half of living room indicates its easy graciousness, shows that it need not be makeshift in character because it also serves as bedroom and dining quarter. Use of same patterned chintz for all curtains and upholstery throughout room pulls it all together despite its different functions and makes it seem both larger and simpler. At left is the gateleg table readily pulled out and set up for any major meals of day.





No litter of garbage can, trash can, milk bottles, garden equipment, etc. at this back door. The service entrance of the house shown on the pages just preceding is screened in by this brick and lattice wall. It creates a small courtyard, with handy built-in storage space, where all kinds of essential but unlovely equipment can be tucked away.

CLIFF MAY, DESIGNER. PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER

AN ACCEPTABLE BACK DOOR

This kitchen entrance is just as attractive as the rest of this little house. Can you say the same of your back door? Or is it an eyesore though the front is a knockout?

If you think your back door doesn't show, you are fooling nobody but yourself. If you've given it short shrift in looks, if you've let it become a catch-all as cluttered as a small boy's pockets, you may be sure your neighbors and guests see your negligence even if you no longer do.

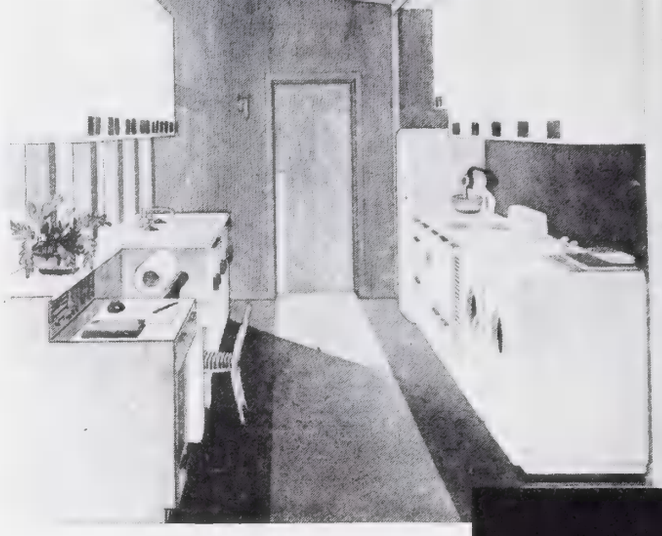
Too many suburban houses have the front door and the street side of the house dressed to the teeth, while sides and back are sadly skimped. But the sides and back, where the lowly back door is usually located, are just what the neighbors do see from their houses. And since most garages are built behind the house, or alongside the kitchen quarters, it's the back door which family and guests frequently use. A good house should be good on every side, not just on the street side. Treating it otherwise is like dressing to perfection to go out to a party but slopping around in unfitted, unpressed garments when you think you are not seen.

You owe it to your own pride and self-respect to see that your back door is as attractive as the front. And that goes whether it is a large, costly house or as small as the one to which this back door belongs. Its simple treatment is a good solution for both the decorative and practical problems of back doors. A brick and lattice wall is built around the kitchen corner enclosing a small paved yard. It screens from sight scooters, bikes, garden equipment, etc., and there is an enclosed bin for garbage and trash can within handy reach. (*Continued on page* 123)

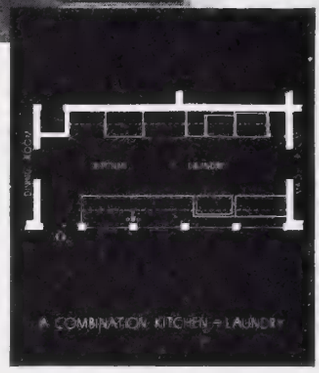


If your laundry must go in the basement, make it efficient with big windows, ample cabinets. Slanting sorting shelves are convenient to hamper and washer beneath. Ironed clothes can be stacked on low cabinet. Hot plate is handy for making starch.

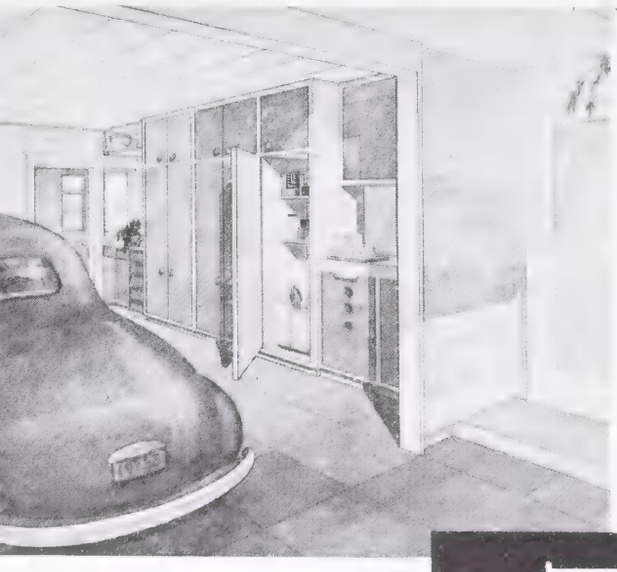




It is perfectly possible to combine kitchen and laundry with neither trespassing on the other, even in a "Pullman" type of room. Continuous windows above work counter, desk, ironer, and under cabinets give generous light. Folding racks concealed in cabinets.

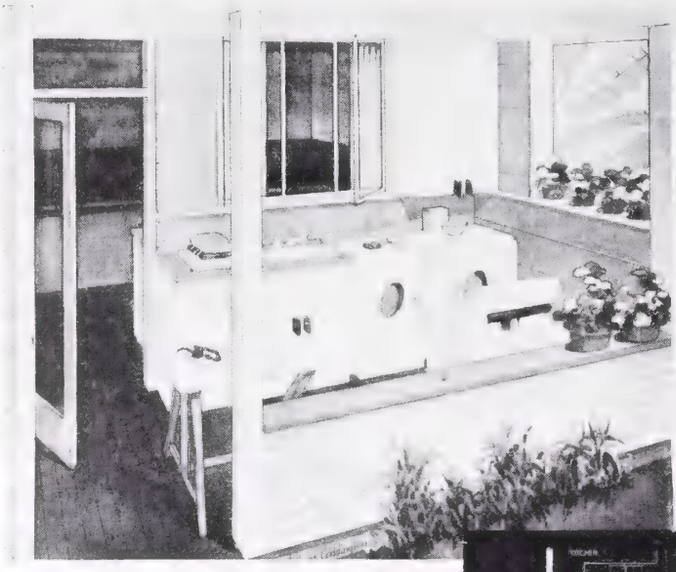


WHERE *shall I put my laundry* ?



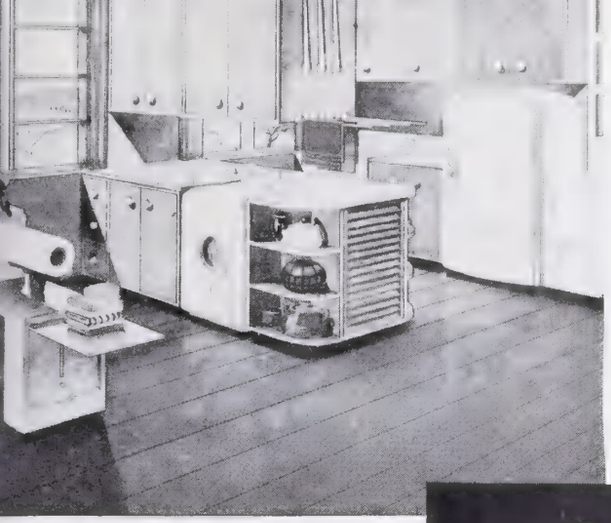
A laundry can even go in a garage, if it is heated or the climate is mild enough. Washer is enclosed in closet, away from dust, with overhead shelves, leaving space for garden tools, work bench. Dryer and ironer might be located in adjacent kitchen.

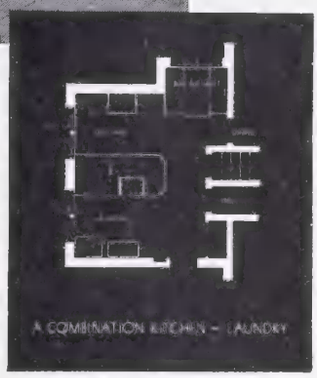




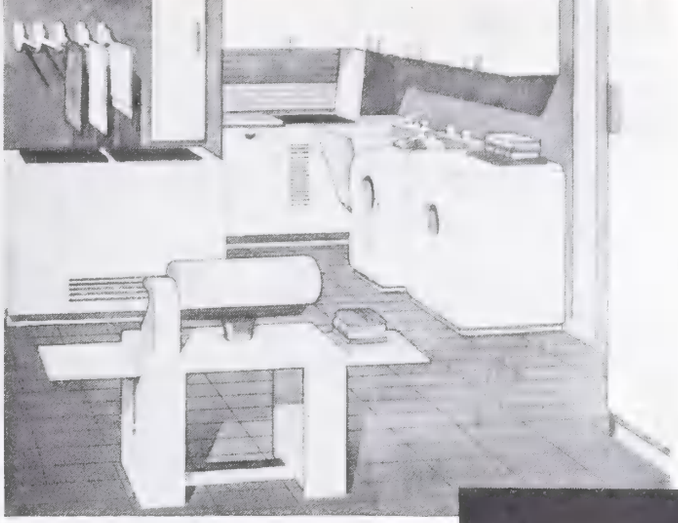
Where climate permits, a service porch with a view of the garden would be a pleasant place for a home laundry, satisfying the desire for more outdoor living. It might be left open, screened, or glass-enclosed, according to preference and weather conditions.







If more space is available, separate kitchen from laundry area in combination room with an "island" containing tub, washer, kitchen sink for plumbing economy. Cabinets suspended from ceiling serve as dividers, allow good ventilation, a spacious look.



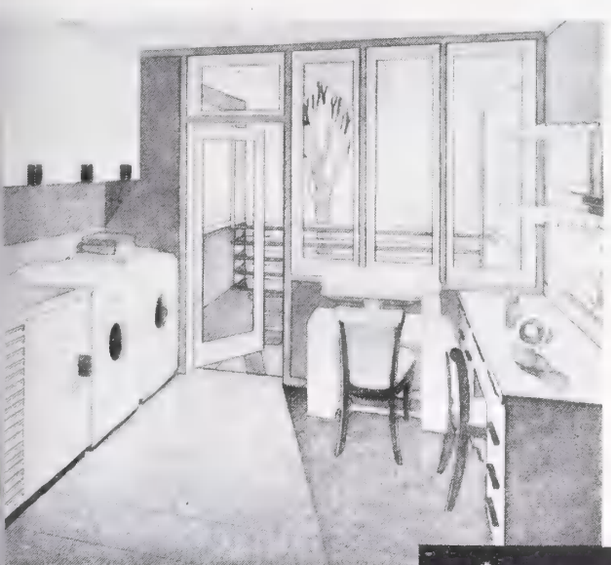


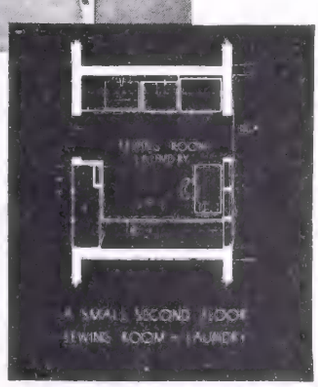
In a house without a basement first-floor utility room is convenient place for laundry. Here equipment is arranged for logical work sequence, ironer in choice location under window. Folding racks and ironing board conserve space, cabinets store many items.

BY CHARLOTTE EATON CONWAY

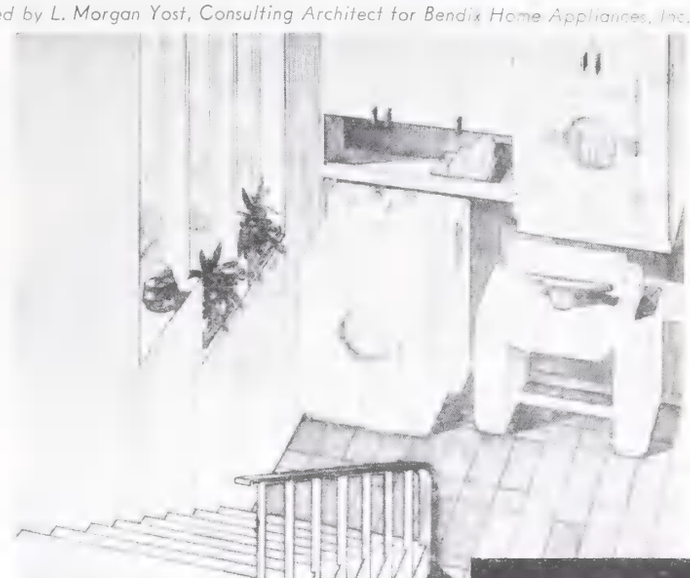
Now that automatic equipment takes over washday chores, the four essential home laundry work centers—preparation, washing, drying, ironing—can be fitted into any location, size, and shape with proper lighting, wiring

Designed by L. Morgan Yost, Consulting Architect for Bendix Home Appliances, Inc.





Maybe you will want your laundry on the second floor, where most soiled clothes originate, combined with sewing room where pressing equipment is near sewing machine. You put finished linen in sewing room side of closet, remove it from hall side.





If you are really short of space you can still have a laundry if you have six feet of space for washer, overhead dryer on metal hangers, and ironer beneath, which rolls out on casters for use. Even sorting shelves and supply cabinets fit in this small space.

by Florence Paine Rollins

FOR WOMEN ONLY



There's something of the showman in all of us. Every now and then we have an overwhelming desire to show off which refuses to be subdued. Entertaining gives us this opportunity without our motives being at all obvious.

Don't misunderstand me. I don't mean to imply that *all* entertaining is motivated by the yen to exhibit our skill as hostesses, our artistry as cooks, our supply of beautiful china, linen, silver, and crystal. But if you were being completely honest, wouldn't you have to admit that occasionally you feel the need of an audience more appreciative and articulate than the average family, and that giving a party has been known to set you up for days?

So when that urge to show that you're not so bad wells up in you, don't subdue it. Just give a luncheon for an all-feminine gathering. For then you can be as pretty-pretty as you like without any masculine "humph-humphs" for going to so much bother. Not many men can understand (unless they are culinary artists themselves) what joy and satisfaction a woman derives from creating a party that looks as charming as an Easter bonnet and tastes as good as it looks.

The month of February is rife with occasions that call for a party, and give you made-to-order themes and patterns around which to build: Lincoln's birthday, Washington's birthday, Valentine's day are all naturals, and make the hostess' job of creating decorative luncheons a relatively simple one.

If you want to be light, gay, and frivolous, make it a Valentine's party. But don't overdo the heart motif, however helpful and attractive it is. We starred it twice in our luncheon: in the salad and in the dessert, and we think that's enough, since you'll probably build your table setting around it.

But you can still start your luncheon off prettily, even though the heart shape doesn't appear in the first course. For what could ever be more decorative, foodwise, than the clear natural colors of fresh fruit? Fruit in clear crystal is always lovely, but for today let's put our grapefruit segments, dark-red Tokays, (*Continued on page* 120)

Hearts and Flowers Luncheon

Fruit Cup in Grapefruit Case

California Chicken on Asparagus

Valentine Mold on Watercress

Cinnamon Pinwheels

Strawberry Meringue Hearts

Demi-tasse





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● View along the rear wall of the house, showing how indentations in wall create more setbacks, make corner windows, provide texture and depth perspective. Windows at right are in kitchen and utility room. Ventilation is through louvres above glass. House is pleasing, no matter from what angle it is viewed

A SMALL HOUSE OF GREAT MERIT

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● Because the grade falls away at one side of house, one end exposes nearly a full two-story façade. The room created on grade is for storage, but it is light and agreeably enough placed so it could serve later as bedroom, recreation, or workroom. Exterior rhythm repeats here



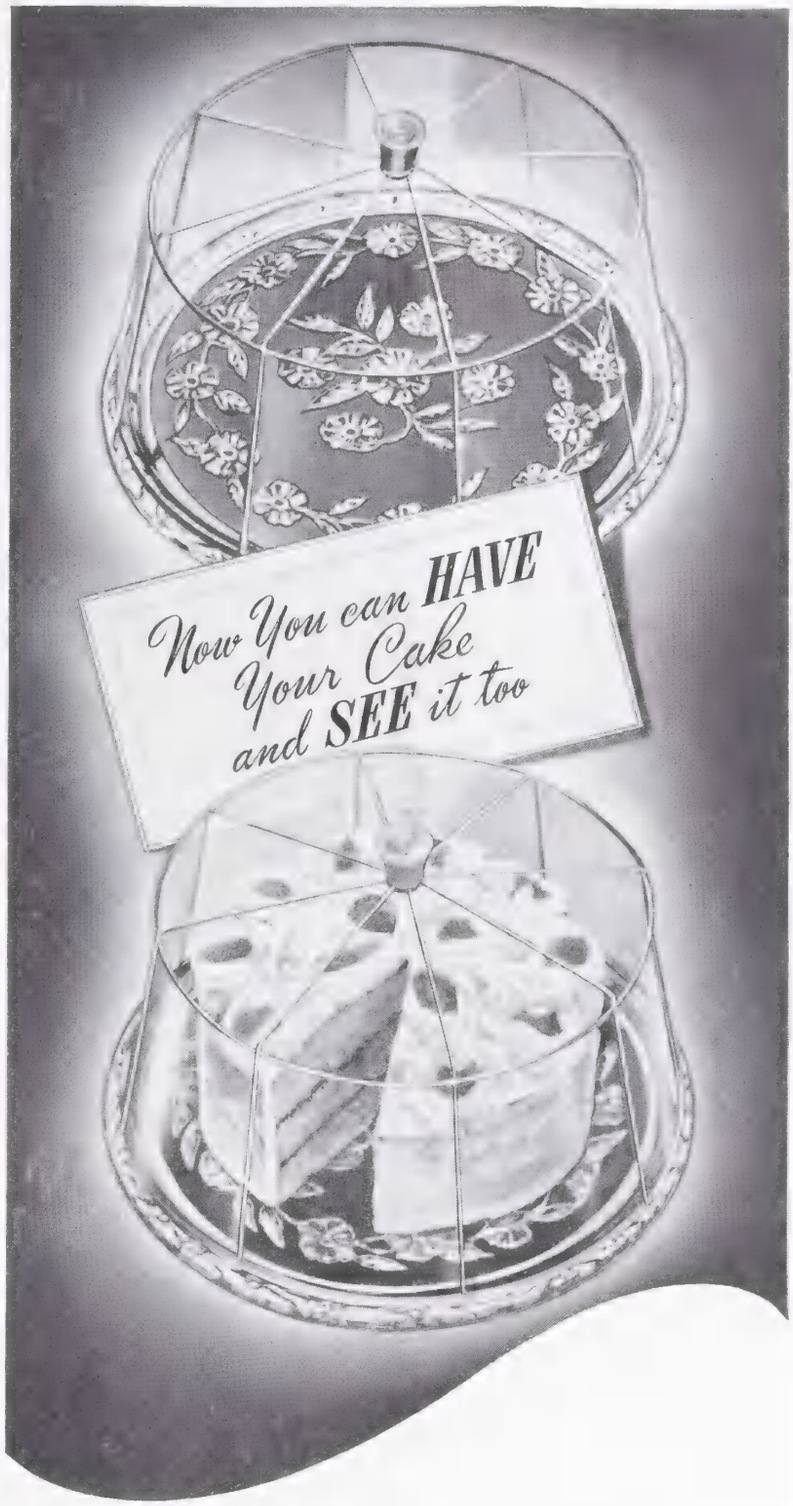
● Roof line of the passageway that connects the garage entrance with the house. Rising ground of the site made this change of level in roof seem like a good solution. The same panel and batten rhythm is carried out on exterior wall. Change of level creates feeling that the whole structure hugs the ground

of all Mr. Yeon's garden designs. For he designs the landscape as an integral part of all his houses. In flat plan, page 69, the pattern may seem arbitrary, but in actuality the profiles are related to contours, growth and vertical modeling in the grading of the lawn itself. This solution seems more native to the problem than the now fashionable approach of adapting various stylistic cliches of architecture to landscape design. Except in the small cultivated area surrounding the lawn, the planting elsewhere is composed exclusively of species indigenous to this region. Since this material is naturally adapted to this soil and climate, the maintenance of the grounds, once it is established, is reduced to a minimum.

The construction of the walls is the standard balloon frame wood construction with the ribs exposed in the window areas. The house is sheathed externally with waterproof plywood. Battens cover the joints and divide the walls into two or four-foot panels—solid or glazed. Glass and plywood occur almost on the same plane and are fastened by the same (*Continued on next page*)



● Projecting section is living room wall. Corner contains window seat, in front of which table slides at meal time. Wall section under terrace roof is painted a mossy yellow. Surrounding walls are greenish-blue. Roof is mulberry. All lines are contrived for compositional interest



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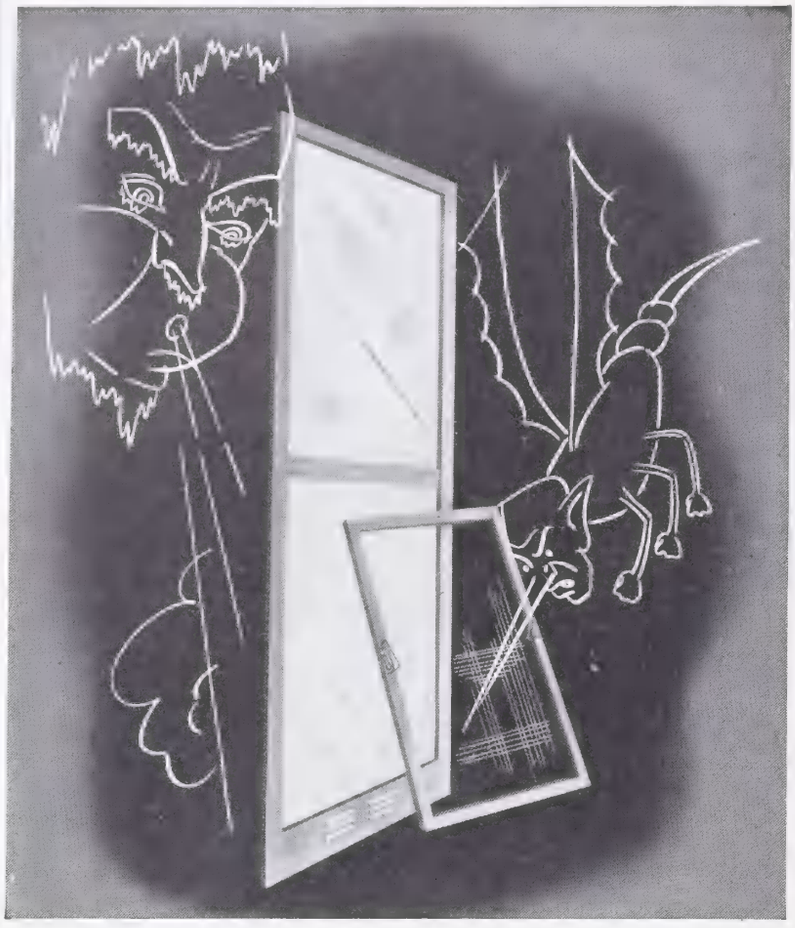
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batten. The absence of frames eliminates any differentiation in the paneling except through contrast of materials.

The glass is solidly fixed between the exposed structural studs. Ventilation is through screened and louvered openings below or above the windows, or over doors. Bedrooms and baths are additionally ventilated by interior transoms opening into the attic, which in turn is amply ventilated by a band of louvres under the overhang near the peak of the roof (see pages 66 and 67). This provides a positive circulation of air in the bedrooms during warm weather and cools the attic at the same time.

THIS house was one of several Yeon designs which inaugurated the separation of ventilation sources from light and view sources. This practice has proved to be one of the most contagious and radical innovations in house design in recent years, and has been copied all over America and abroad. By means of this separation several advantages are achieved. The house becomes comparatively burglar proof. First floor bedrooms have complete security. The house may be safely ventilated while unoccupied. No screens obscure vision. Curtains may be closed without interfering with ventilation. Rain or wind cannot damage curtains. The glazing is air-tight, the maintenance and air leakage of heavy moving windows are eliminated. The smaller solid panels behind the louvres are protected from direct rain and are easily weatherstripped. Hardware and millwork are reduced. The maximum effect of clean-cut lightness for window design in wood construction is achieved without resort to beams across openings.

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The rhythmical paneling in this plywood house is the main element of the exterior design. Within this disciplined order are contrasts of materials and textures—glass, plywood or louvres. The nature of the frame construction is suggested by this surface treatment. All visible members have been reduced to their smallest practical sizes, so that the scale of all features is proportionate to the over-all size of the house. The ordered delicacy of the exteriors achieves a distinctive effect exactly suited to its size, one which would not be appropriate, without re-scaling, for larger houses. It is an effect fortunately different from the usual results of attempting to shrink the standard elements of larger houses into doll house miniatures.

THE problem was not one of prefabrication except to use without waste the prefabricated plywood sheathing panels, yet the results anticipated the design approach of later research in prefabrication.

The sloping roofs of these houses often built on wooded sites were needed to shed the debris of overhanging branches as well as to provide attic storage and airspace insulation. Basically, however, the sloping roof was a compositional preference. Its varying planes and grades echo the pattern which nature already established in the hilly land on which the house is built, and to which it is so well attuned in form and purpose.



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It's a way to discover that with simple food wine is what you need. Another way is also pictured here. It's apples with cheddar cheese and ruby California Port. And a third good way, some dinnertime soon, is to set out glasses of nutlike California Sherry to sip with cream of tomato soup.

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Eight people can feast: For sauce, brown a pound of ground beef in a little oil with garlic and ½ cup chopped onion. Add ¼ cup chopped parsley, small can tomato sauce, two cups tomato puree, plenty of seasonings, and a pinch of sugar; simmer one hour. Add a cup of red table wine, simmer another hour. Cook a pound of spaghetti, drain, mix with the sauce and a cup of diced sharp cheese. Serve sprinkled with grated cheese — and glasses of California Claret or Burgundy for all





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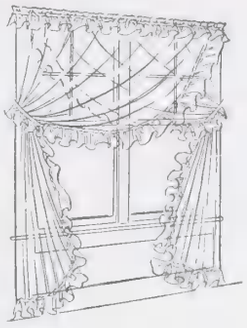
How To Camouflage Where The Moths Ate

Darning isn't pretty. Reweaving is expensive. But embroidery can repair while it also adds an amusing touch

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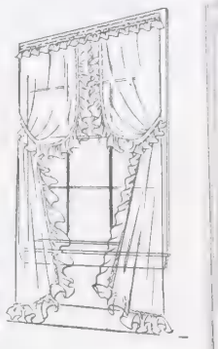


● The trick is to first darn the thin spot to strengthen it, prevent threads from pulling. Then trace over it a design large enough to cover darn, and embroider it in colors that will contrast nicely with the wool of the blanket.

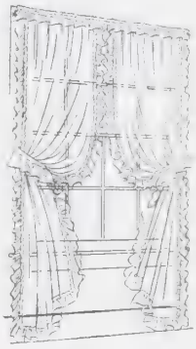


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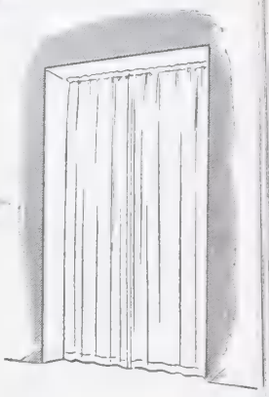
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What Does Your Medicine Chest Reveal About You?

By HANNIBAL COONS

Nearly everyone has a private vice, and some of them are whizzers. Mine is both simple and instructive. I look into people's medicine chests. You have no idea how much you can learn about people by a short tour back of that shaving mirror. It's got to the point where I no longer bother to take off my overcoat before I have a look in the medicine chest. As likely as not, one look and I'm off like a hare, classifying its owner.

It's entirely possible that I have come upon a completely new science—medicine-chest psychoanalysis. The thing is startling in its simplicity and power, a quick and sure method of analyzing your friends. One look in a man's medicine chest, and you've got him cold. Employers make a great mistake. Employers, when they hire new employees, spend a lot of time giving them personality tests, intelligence tests, and chest x-rays. They could tell a lot more about them, a lot faster, by simply examining their medicine chests.

The thing can also become an interesting guide to marriage. A most interesting guide to marriage.

In the supposedly secret depths of their medicine chests, people fall into a number of easily recognized patterns. Among the interesting types I have definitely isolated are The Great Untidy, The Weird Taker, The Great Athlete, The Large Economy-Sizer, The Empty Cavern-er, The Frigid Air-er, and The Collector.

1. The Great Untidy is usually found in the male state. He has a medicine chest carefully stocked, mostly on one shelf, with rusty razor blades, spilled foot powder, and a jumble of jars and tubes. In advanced cases there will also be 30 or more hard and yellowed bits of soap, a screwdriver, a broken hammer, and an old bedroom slipper. The toothpaste tube will be as flat as an anchovy, and, like everything else, capless. What do these people do with the lids and caps that come on things?

A Great Untidy, oddly enough, after shaving and dressing out of this four-shelved foxhole, often heads for town looking as immaculate as Adolphe Menjou.

I would not hire a Great Untidy even to fix the plumbing. He would probably leave his helper in it.

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2. The Weird Taker is a hypochondriac who never got to play train when he was a boy. He would like to be Frank Buck if it weren't for his asthma. So he plays Frank Buck in his medicine chest. It's full to the gills, and there isn't a thing in it you ever heard of before. A carton of Wanton Seeds from India, foot herbs from China, hair restorer from France, native belly medicine from South Africa, dehydrated grass, Indian root tonic, and on and on. He's got 'em all. A lady Weird Taker will pick it up there and go a little further. She will also have a large bottle of stuff carefully labeled: *For Washing germs off Doorknobs and Telephone.*

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3. The Great Athlete usually has nothing in his medicine chest but witch hazel, liniment, and the end of a broken polo mallet. Great Athletes scorn medicine. If a Great Athlete ever cut himself half to death, he would have nothing to put on the gash—which would serve him right.

4. The Large Economy Sizer, although sometimes male, is usually found in the female state. She is unable to resist a bargain. She buys toothpaste in tubes so big they are like nothing you have ever seen, cotton in rolls like linoleum, bath salts in five pound bags, Kleenex in bales, and cold cream in glamorized lard pails. When you open her medicine chest, the psychological significance of it hits you at once, and the impact is terrific. Large Economy sizers generally compound the confusion by filling old liver paste jars and nail polish bottles with small portions of stuff from the giant supply. This is for every day use. They seem to consider this storage of rancid cold cream and red hot concentrated iodine (it doesn't improve with age, you know) a sign of their superior shrewdness, and are constantly telling stories about their improvident friends.

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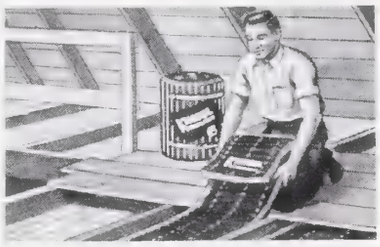
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This designer's work-shop is an object lesson in how to make every inch of space count



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of bolts and nuts and washers, strips and pieces of floor, and parts of roof.

The following Sunday a few friends came up and we made an old-fashioned house-raising party of it. It took us ten hours. First we put the floor panels down, then bolted the sides to them, finally the roof panels. When evening came, the house stood—windows, doors, everything. As soon as we finished, a terrific rain storm came down on us. I didn't dare to look the next morning from the Miller house, 250 feet away, where I had spent the night (and was to spend many more until the plumbing was done). That slim and flimsy structure we had put up in ten hours couldn't possibly be still standing there after that terrific storm

My friend Elmer called. He ha a terrible feeling. My friend Edyth called. She had hardly slept a wi all night. My friend John calle My friend Hildreth called. Ever body was ready to express de sympathy.

Finally, I did look. The sun h come out. There, behind the unde brush, in the middle of a wild sp in the woods, among birches ju now beginning to get green a laurels which were not yet bloo ing, stood, brightly and surel quite as though it had always sto there. The House.

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I had decided to insulate the ouse. Mineral wool and wallboard ere available. After all I had ought an agricultural storage uilding and it was covered on the utside with only half-inch cedar siding, and, on the inside, with building paper. I knew I would build shelves all around everything, so the appearance of the wallboard didn't worry me.

Finally my things came up from New York—the rest of my furniture had been stored in the Miller garage during the war—and I moved in. First, the tools had to be fitted into a space 10 x 15. Although I had figured every inch out before, it did become quite a trick to find room for eight machines and an endless amount of small tools, and cabinets, and all sorts of materials. I discovered the noble science of space-engineering. Even the tie beams are now used for holding moldings, samples of veneers, and thin sheets of plastics and aluminum.

The next space, 10 x 20, was to become the planning room. A

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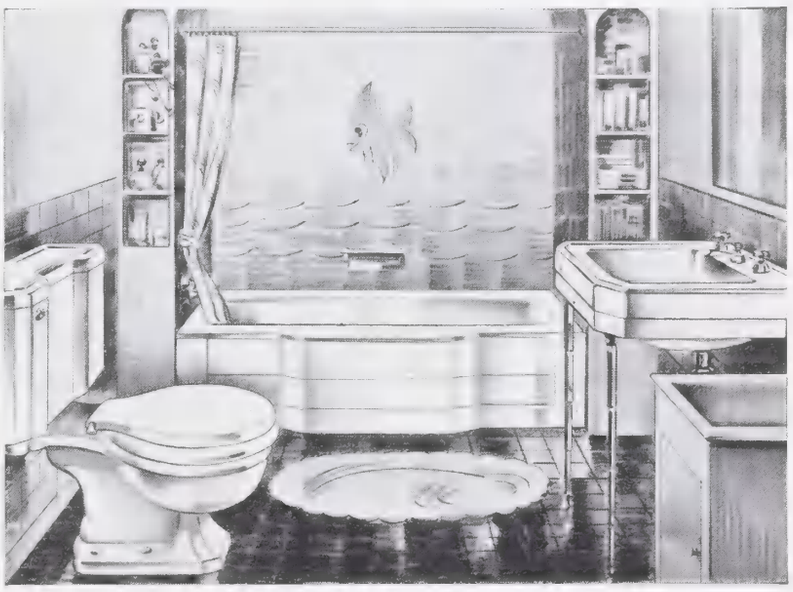
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kitchen unit from Sears Roebuck became a work sink with storage space underneath and shelves over it. On the other side of a door is the "office," a unit two feet deep, with shelves on either side, and wood paper baskets for drawers. Shelves for magazines and trade-papers, of which I seem to be taking a couple of dozen, are underneath.

Opposite is a somewhat elaborate drawing table built in combination with another unit of shallow drawers for papers and blue prints, cardboard and other odds and ends, with shelves for current work and samples of finished jobs. Around the next corner—and around a couch, is another shelf unit for art books made with several cabinets, one for pillows, one for more samples, and the most important one for the record changer.

Back of the drawing table is another shelf combination into which the file cabinets fit. It holds paints, color samples, and an endless number of drawing instruments, tacks, supplies, and so on. In other words, there are more things in this space than I ever thought I could fit into a room twice the size. I have space to spare, too. There is nothing hanging from or lying on the tie-beams.

The wallboard on the ceiling was covered with wallpaper. This was a compromise with the sensibilities of friends and clients who, otherwise, upon coming into the shop, had a torture-chamber feeling.

THE third space of the pre-fabricated unit was to be closet space, but it is only five feet deep and I needed closets for both clothes and linen. The solution was simple. Both closets are 14 inches deep, and three poles front to back in one of them serve for hanging clothes, with plenty of space for extra hooks between them.

The last section, again five feet deep, has become the bathroom. I belong to the shower school and so I had room for the hot water heater (obtained by the grace of a man up-state from whom I buy tools and who knew of a submarine heater which the Navy had just then released).

Of course, before the shelves were built and the work benches and tools installed, the electrician did his tricks. He was, at first, slightly awed by the number of outlets I wanted, but he soon agreed that there can never really be too many outlets in any kind of house. It costs very little if you have them put in at the beginning, and you'll never have make-shift plugs that way. Too, all my outlets are placed three feet from the floor. This eliminates trailing wires behind furniture and is particularly important when one builds in as many units as I had to devise.

And then came the time when I had to think of heat. The war was really over now; things became easier. The same man who had found me the hot water heater before, found a small hot air oil unit.

TOO, I had found two carpenters who were willing to build me another room, although they had so much work that they came mostly at night and on weekends. The Millers had an old tool house they wanted to get rid of; we moved it over to my side, fourteen feet from the pre-fabricated unit, and then joined it with the new room. This way the house became an L. Again I built in almost everything; a writing desk made from a plank which was stained like the rest of the new room, pine. The walls of the new unit are covered with plywood (of which I could get exactly as much as I needed, not a square inch more—another piece of very fine luck).

The heater closet is only 3 x 4 and has space left for storage. The new room which now serves as my sleeping and living room has a double couch, one foot of which is hidden under bookshelves and is moved out at night and a couple of cabinets for a bed tray and storage of small things. At the time this was built I also put a sheet of plywood into the former hall and closet space, right over the closets, so that I now have an attic.

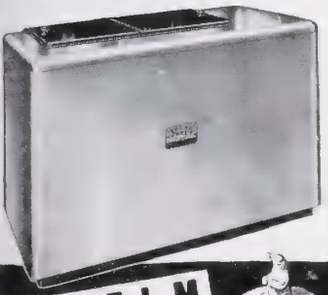
The tool room became the kitchen which, for once, is not white. I found cabinets which I stained pine color; they were joined with counter tops which are waxed and can be hurt by nothing. Instead of a stove I have a three burner Silex unit. I also have a Navy hot cup, a broiler and a toaster; and you'd be amazed what nice meals can be made in a kitchen that doesn't really look like a kitchen at all.

Finally, I had the whole thing painted barn red. Now it looks as though it had always been there. Friends come and try to figure out how they could use a house such as this for regular living—living that is, without designing and tools. They are not too skeptical about the space itself and its arrangement. They still don't quite believe

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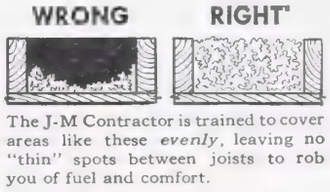
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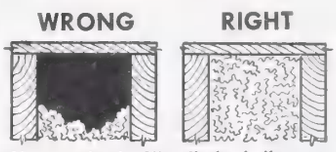
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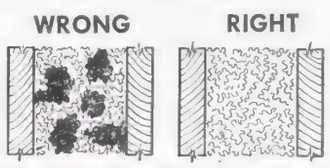
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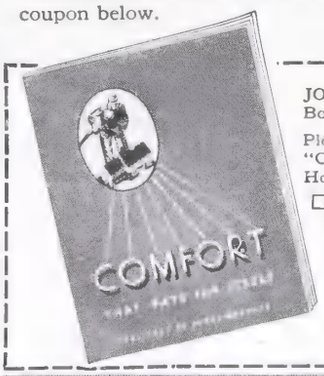
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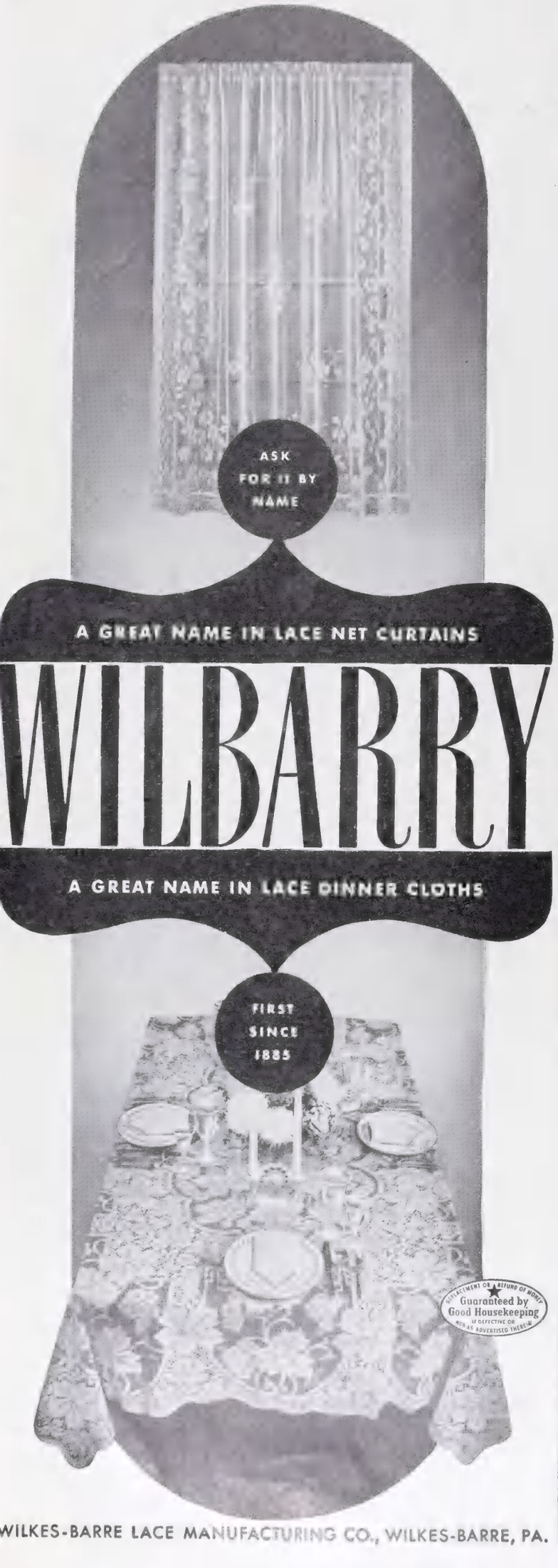


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and little white-green grapes into the grapefruit shell, which is daintily "pinked" around the edge. Set the yellow case on green leaves, and your first course will be a picture.

What to use for the main course is a poser these days. We could contrive sweetbreads, lobster, shrimp, veal, and kidneys in all sorts of marvelous ways. But the chances are you are fortunate if you can get any of these once in six months. So we're just sticking to chicken, since it is universally acceptable, and—to be practical—most generally available.

Our chicken dish starts off just like any chicken à la king, but there's a surprise catch in it—mayonnaise, lemon juice, and curry—which change the sauce from the usual into the unusual.

The salad, molded in individual hearts, is sharp and spicy, and to fete the day, a soft red. If you rest it on enough watercress, you can put it right next to the chicken on asparagus without melting the mold.

The cinnamon pinwheels are good, and very easy to make, the latter being a crucial point if you're entertaining without benefit of kitchen aid. They can be assembled in about ten minutes and baked in fifteen.

Dessert is the high spot in any party for the distaff side, and strawberry meringues have what it takes to catch and hold the critical feminine eye. The uninitiated among your guests will be quite agog at your skill. The initiated may wish they'd had the wit to think of them before you did. But contrary to popular opinion, meringues do not take any special *abracadabra*. But they do take a slow, slow oven, otherwise they will brown on the outside and be rubbery inside, when they should be light and crusty. Give them a hearty contour, pile them with strawberry ice cream, and they'll bring forth the applause you've been waiting for.

Fruit Cup in Grapefruit Case

4 grapefruit
1 cup Tokay grapes, peeled, pitted, and halved
1 cup seedless white grapes
8 maraschino cherries

Cut grapefruit in half. Remove fruit from membrane. Put in bowl and sugar to taste. Then remove tough center with scissors and trim membrane away from outer shell as much as possible. With scissors, "pink" edge of each shell to get fluted effect. Fill with sugared grapefruit, then grapes. Try to keep Tokay grapes on top to make prettier picture. Top each with a bright cherry. Put on cooky sheet and place in refrigerator until ready to serve. Makes 8 portions.

California Chicken on Asparagus

2 boxes frozen asparagus
3 tablespoons chicken fat
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
6 tablespoons flour
½ cup cream
1½ cups chicken stock
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons mayonnaise (the lemon-and-oil homemade variety is best here)
1 teaspoon curry powder
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper (add more, if necessary)
2 teaspoons lemon juice
3 cups cooked chicken, cut up
10 stuffed olives, sliced

Cook and drain asparagus. Place about four stalks on each plate and cover with chicken in sauce, made as follows: Melt fat and blend in flour. Then gradually add liquids, stirring constantly until sauce thickens. Add mayonnaise, seasonings, and lemon juice and blend well. Last, add chicken and olives. Heat through thoroughly and pour over asparagus. Serves eight.

Cinnamon Pinwheels

1 box Burry's Simple Simon Easy Biscuit Mix
2/3 cup water
6 tablespoons brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
¼ cup raisins

Put biscuit mix in bowl. Add water. Blend with a fork. Then turn dough out on floured surface and knead slightly. Roll about ¼ inch thick. Combine sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle over dough. Then scatter raisins, using more raisins if you like. Roll up as for jelly roll, pressing edge down firmly. Cut into slices about ½ inch thick. (They should be as thin as possible, as they will rise.) Bake on ungreased cooky sheet in hot oven (400° F.) about 5 minutes or until done. Makes 16 pinwheels.

Valentine Mold

1 envelope unflavored gelatine
¼ cup cold water
1¼ cups hot water
1 tablespoon beet juice
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons lemon juice
¼ cup chopped cucumber
3 tablespoons minced onion
½ cup chopped celery
½ cup finely chopped cooked beets
¼ cup minced green pepper
¼ cup chopped cabbage
1 bunch watercress

Soak gelatine in cold water a few minutes. Stir in hot water and dissolve thoroughly. Add beet juice, sugar, salt, and lemon juice and blend. Set aside to thicken enough to hold vegetables. When thickened, add all vegetables except watercress. Pour into heart-shape molds if you have them; or pour into a Pyrex rectangular casserole,

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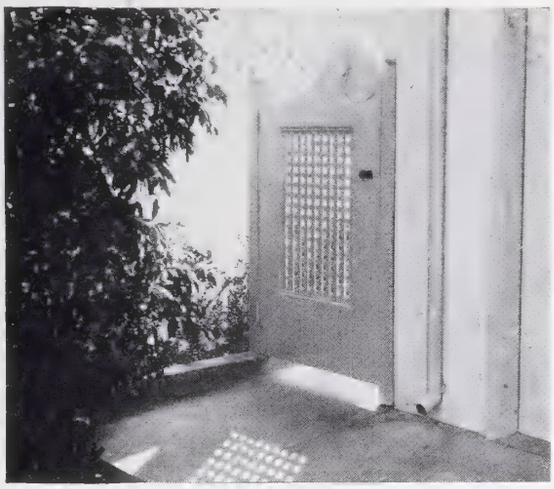
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10 by 6 inches, and chill until firm. Cut into heart shapes with cooky cutter, or heart shape made of paper. Makes 8 hearts. Serve on crisp watercress.

Strawberry Meringue Hearts

Meringue Shells

4 egg whites
⅛ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon baking powder
½ cup granulated sugar
½ cup confectioner's sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon vinegar
1 teaspoon water

Combine egg whites, salt, and baking powder in bowl, and beat until stiff. Combine sugars and sift. Put vanilla, vinegar, and water together in cup. Add sugar gradually to egg whites, a tablespoon or two at a time, beating constantly, with a few drops of the liquid. Continue adding sugar and liquid alternately until all has been blended into egg whites. Cut small hearts out of plain paper and place quite far apart on cooky sheet. Spoon the meringue around each of the hearts, building it up as high as possible. (Use a pastry bag if you have one.) Bake in a very slow oven (250°F.) for an hour or more. They should be dry on the surface. (If meringues start to brown, cover them with plain paper to keep from browning further.) Remove from oven, and when cool, remove paper from bottoms. Makes eight hearts. Fill centers with strawberry ice cream.

Strawberry Ice Cream (sugarless)

2 cups milk
2/3 can condensed milk (15-oz. size)
3 tablespoons lemon juice
½ cup evaporated milk
½ teaspoon vanilla
1 box frozen strawberries

Heat 1 cup milk thoroughly (do not boil). Add condensed milk and mix well. Add remaining milk and lemon juice. Freeze to mush. Whip evaporated milk, which has been chilling in refrigerator at least 24 hours. Add vanilla and thawed strawberries. Combine strawberry mixture with first mixture and return to refrigerator to freeze at coldest point. Makes eight good servings. (If you want the ice cream to be deep pink, add a few drops red food coloring to milk.)



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By POLLY CRAMER

DOUBTLESS hundreds, even thousands of you linger, as I do, over the pages of this magazine and think, "If I had a reasonably priced house with pleasing architectural features, say like Yehudi Menuhin's in the October number, or Dolena's in the November issue, my home would be equally as charming." Or, "If I were starting from scratch and could pick up a few semi-antiques and cast-offs to be cleverly decorated and used in an original manner, the four walls of my home would be practically bursting with personality." Then again it might be, "If I had plenty of money for redecorating and there were available workmen to carry out my ideas, individuality would be oozing from every door and window." One *if* or another, but they all boil down to plain lame excuses, don't they?

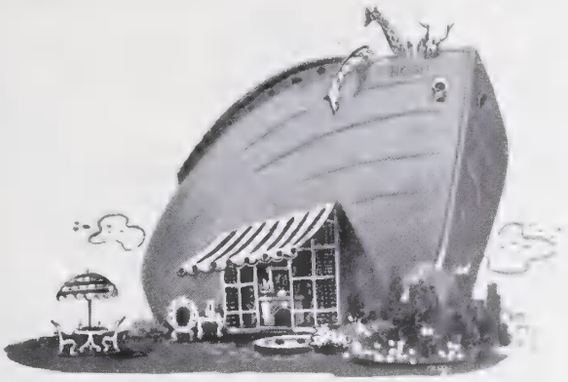
Like many of you, we live in a rented house. We already have enough rather nice furniture that there is no excuse for assembling clever makeshifts. We, too, are putting every available cent aside for the home we hope to build some day.

But the straw that finally broke our camel's back was a casual remark made by our twelve-year-old. "Gee, Mom, this dining room certainly is a washout compared to the living room and hall." We knew it, but when we moved here the dining rooms had quickly soaked up the owner's modest decorating allotment. Consequently the dining room was left in that "it will do" state.

For a couple of weeks after the casual remark, our conscience battled with an ambitious desire to do something about it. We finally decided that the use of only eight dollars and seventy-five cents required for the purchase of a bond for our dream house would postpone too much the day when we could break ground. Not one more cent would we spend and we meant doing the work ourselves.

Decorating sugar plums danced through our heads. There were a million and one things we could have done and wanted to, but with a budget of less than two

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This certainly is one of the most delightful improvements in home-making since Noah built the Ark.

A GARDEN

is a garden . . . is a garden

BY ROSAMOND PRATT

mericans, who seem to prefer to make discoveries not singly but masse, have discovered the easures of living outdoors.

Terraces or patios opening out living or dining rooms, a fire-ce or barbecue built in the back side yard are now incorporated o the majority of the new houses ng planned, and only await a up in building restrictions to be ded to old houses. Outdoor tables d chairs and hurricane lamps d movable bars and huge adjust-e umbrellas are enjoying a ord sale.

This certainly is one of the most ightful improvements in home-king since Noah built the Ark. annot be too highly commended, hough it is singular that the erican public has taken so long adopt a practical and happy a which has been in use in rope for centuries.

have, however, one small pro-to offer—a protest which will and should not affect the popu-ty of this excellent trend, but ch may stir a sympathetic echo n some kindred reader. This is lightly tossed-off injunction, ake your garden into an outdoor m." An eminent landscape gar-er has positively announced, range your garden according he same principles you use in anging your living room. Con-sider the general effect you want, the colors, the varying heights of shrubs and flowers as you do the varying colors, bulk and heights of furniture in a room."

I lift my voice to denounce such advice, except for that fractional minority who possess green houses which can constantly replenish bare or flowerless or straggly spots, and who are able to hire gardeners who can transplant all things at all seasons.

When you recover an armchair in pale rose and put it in a certain place, it stays in that place and retains its size and contribution to the general color scheme until you move it or recover it. When you cross the threshold some fine morning you are not confronted with a dozen miniature armchairs dotted hither and yon, and the original article deepened to a hate-ful and unnegotiable magenta.

But when you plant a bed of blue and white petunias and sally forth the following spring, you may find purplish blue petunias all over the place and nary a white one visible. You build in a radio cabinet, and put it where you want it, and there it is, for keeps. But you plant a few peonies and before you know it, you have burgeoning mountains of peonies crowding out everything else. You plant a few

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perennial ageratums or michaelmas daisies and—oh well . . . you know.

The carefully spaced lilies in my small plot walk about wherever they please, and so, for that matter, do the columbines. It is as disconcerting as if the pictures in my chamber changed places, multiplied, took to themselves wings and disappeared entirely, and then possibly reappeared in the pantry.

You may, unfortunately, find moths in your davenport and even more unfortunately, termites in your baseboard. But you do not find thrips and aphids, beetles, mildew, blight and moles attacking the legs of your tables and chairs. A water pipe may burst and damage your ceiling but there is no danger of an early frost withering your lamp shades, or a violent rain beating the books from their shelves and battering them into the mud.

No one who enjoys working in a garden objects to the exigencies of nature or to this curious wilfulness of flowers to take the altering of their hues or habitat into their own hands. We rearrange and discard and try again, and although we have to wait for another year to be sure of the effect, we do not grudge the time, for that time is always in the future, and therefore we always have two gardens—the present one and the potential one.

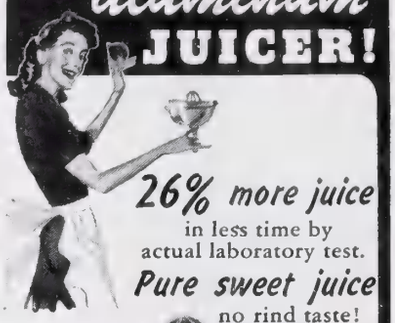
BUT we do object to the airy assumption that the garden is just another room. In the house we take down the winter draperies and put up summer ones and mitigate the darkness of the velvet upholstery by cool slip covers. This is the only definite alteration required. But in a garden we must put the spring bulbs where they will not conflict with the summer bloom, and arrange them all so there will be space for the flowers of autumn.

If a garden must be compared with a room, that room would be a combination laboratory, cellar, mortuary, and chamber in paradise.

But why compare it to a room? Why compare it to anything? Why not consider it for what it is—a garden with all its problems and never ceasing demand upon our care and unduplicable joy to our eyes and hearts?

Gertrude Stein made one statement which is comprehensible even to a layman when she wrote "A rose is a rose is a rose." Let us defy the false chant that a garden is an outdoor room, and stubbornly whisper, partly in exasperation and partly in loving pride "A garden is a garden."

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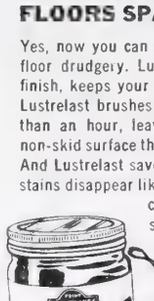


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WHAT DOES YOUR MEDICINE CHEST REVEAL ABOUT YOU

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In case you would like him or h as a mate, *proceed with caution.*

5. The Empty Cavern-er a ways leaves his razor, shavi soap, shaving brush, toothpas toothbrush, lotion, and iodine clinging perilously around t edges of the washbowl. There's ually nothing at all in the medici chest itself, except now and th a dusty bottle of cream left the by a former tenant, or a pair old socks. Empty Cavern-ers spe most of their lives in a fog. Th make poor detectives.

6. The Frigid Air-er is alwa found in the female state. S doesn't use the medicine ch at all. She read somewhere t face cream should be kept co so keeps her dozen or more j of creams in the icebox. T Frigid Air-er should be avoided a marriage possibility. She does like midnight lunches, and does see why you do. Neither would s see why you should get so m just because a little vanish cream got on the sardines. Any could see that it was vanish cream. Look, the name is ri on it. . . .

7. The Collector is also u ally found in the female state. I medicine chest, of whatever size bursting at the seams. You co not cram a bottle of eyedrops o any one of the shelves. They full of perfectly all right thin chest rub, four kinds; cold cre eight kinds; iodine, cotton, to paste, burn salve, powder, aspi nail polish, things like that. It's neat and well arranged. It's j that there's so much of it.

A man chooses a Collector as lifetime partner at his own ri Whatever she has, she fills. A m married to a Collector can bu a new house with 75 closets, within two days there won't enough room in any of them hang up a pair of pants.

If you meet the rarer of t species, the male Collector, cal psychiatrist. A man who likes bunch of junk around deser serious treatment.

As for your own medicine ch just leave everything as it is. be around in a few days to hav look in it.

HOW TO SHOP FOR A VACUUM CLEANER

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e adjustment should be simple bristles on rotating brush can set for proper striking action ainst rug. Bristles do wear off, in e, and imperfect cleaning re- ts if they do not strike properly.

ecial cleaning tools are pretty rly standard with all cleaners. ey include the rug nozzle, a nd dusting brush, a tool for e floors, a utility nozzle for up- stery and mattresses, a crevice l for hard-to-reach places, a ay tool, a blower attachment, l, of course extension wands and necting hose. Be sure tools are y to put on and take off and t they remain securely locked en in use.

you've had a vacuum cleaner be- e, you know how important it is t the cleaning tools be packaged veniently, not only for storing, also for carrying from room to m. These considerations are im- tant, for they determine whether not you will get full value re- ved on your investment. (For ious cleaner tool packages see ges 148, 149).

e of the purposes of a cleaner to eliminate as much bending l stooping as possible. The curve he wand and swivel attachments ieve this purpose.

you have much floor to wax, you l be interested in the cleaners h waxing and polishing tools. t all have them.

sprayer attachment is common nost cleaners. It will spray moth ventives, paint, upholstery, and shampoo cleansers, and is far laborious to use than the old ay gun pumped by hand.

you or your neighbors are al- gic to noise, choose a cleaner h as quiet operation as is con- ent with motor efficiency. If s important to you, look for a io interference eliminator, too.

upright cleaners, see that there a good rubber bumper, to pre- t scratching and denting furni- e and baseboards.

upright cleaners, a headlight is convenience, showing up dust l dirt which you otherwise might see in dark corners.



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The switch, by which you turn power on and off, should be convenient to reach. On uprights, usually you will find it within easy reach on the handle. Tank types and bagless cleaners generally have it on the base where a toe-touch starts it or stops it without upsetting the base.

Upright cleaners have wheels; tank types have wheels or gliders. Either should be of sufficient size or shaped not to mark rugs or carpets.

Belts on uprights should be easy to replace. Relatively speaking, they do not last long and stretch before breaking in two. If the belt is loose, it slips on the pulley shaft, so the brush does not rotate at as high speed as it should.

The dirt your cleaner picks up has to be disposed of somehow. Most uprights and tank types have fabric bags, exposed in the former instance, enclosed in the latter, into which dirt is drawn and from which you remove it, preferably after each cleaning. An exception is a new upright cleaner with conventional cloth bag, fastened with a zipper, and containing inside an inner paper fibre bag. The latter can be disposed of easily with its contents, thus avoiding any need to see or touch the dirt within. Or the inner bag can be emptied and re-used. In cases where there is just the single cloth bag to hold the dirt, it should be brushed, but not washed or dry cleaned. It can be re-used almost indefinitely. If exposed, the dust bag should not drag on the floor, and should have a good wide mouth for easy emptying. There are four cleaners we know of designed without the fabric bag. Details of their operation are noted on page 75.

Oiling generally is not required. This is a distinct advantage, since you need not count the days and wonder whether to oil or not to oil.



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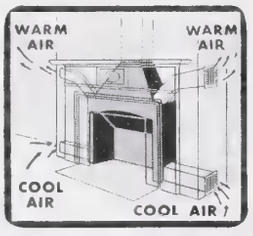
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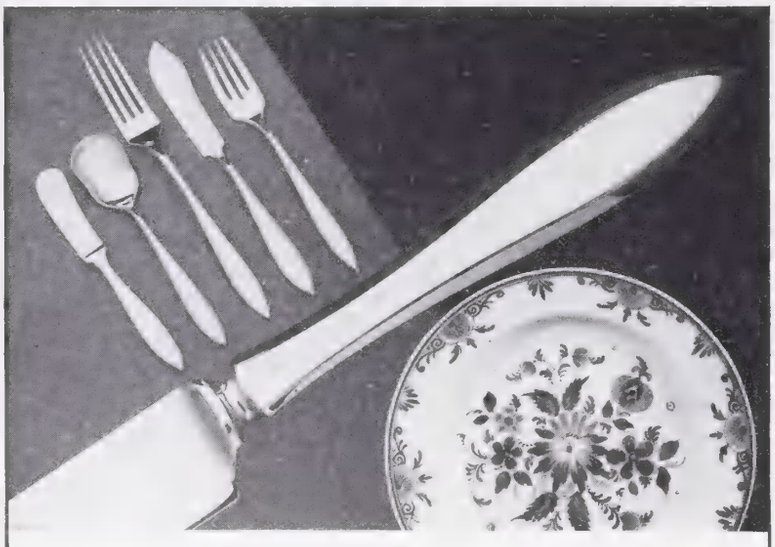
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By Julie Polshek

Royal Oxford sauted-in-butter mushrooms are as succulent a food as ever left a can. The large, firm white caps seem to have been sautéd in a manner that keeps their juice within the flavorsome mushrooms themselves. There's hardly more than a couple of tablespoons of mushroom liquor in the can. But butter is so lavishly present that you can spoon it out, to use in heating or otherwise preparing the mushrooms. You'll find these fine mushrooms at Hammacher Schlemmer & Co., 145 E. 57th St., N. Y. C., for under $1.50 a 10-ounce can.

The delectable, many-purpose mushroom is so much a part of every day American cookery that familiarity has perhaps dimmed many of its more unusual culinary uses. It's a food to go adventuring with. Here are some examples of what we mean: Add chopped sautéd mushrooms to baked stuffed potatoes. Whip them up into a luscious mushroom soufflé, using chicken stock for half or all of the liquid ingredient and some Parmesan cheese for that extra gourmet touch—and taste. Boil them, chopped, in chicken stock to make an unusual molded salad. Use both stock and mushrooms. A goodly dash of lemon juice will give the jelly extra verve. Add them to rich white sauce to dress artichoke bottoms during baking. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese over it all before the dish is popped into a hot oven. Mix chopped mushrooms with sour cream as a filling for French pancakes; roll them up, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and put them into a hot oven for a few minutes. You'll find, incidentally, that mushrooms and sour cream have a special affinity taste-wise.

Why not probe into the infinite possibilities of fine mushroom cookery for new menu glamour? You'll find some hundred temptin recipes in Helmut Ripperger's "Mushroom Cookery," published by George W. Stewart, 67 West 44th St., New York, N. Y. It costs about $1.

And speaking of mushrooms you'll want to get acquainted with the unique, flavor-imparting qualities of their French counterpart—the truffle. The French consider it the indispensable jewel of their subtle delectable cookery. In this country we know truffles better as a garnish for meats and pate de foie gras than as an actual adjunct to gourmet cookery. But their unusual ability to impart flavor to other foods is worthy of the same recognition and wide use in American homes that truffles already enjoy in fine restaurants.

When you bite into a nut-like truffle "as is" it has a delicate, almost elusive, mushroom-like flavor. Yet, paradoxically, when blended with other foods, it imparts to them a very definite and luscious flavor which is at the same time pungently fragrant and wonderfully subtle. The truffle is a mushroom grown found in France. It grows without roots, five to ten inches under ground. It takes about a year to grow to full maturity, and odd

ugh, cannot be cultivated since e is no known seed for it. It hite when picked but turns a black after a few months, n it is canned. It looks like rge wrinkled-skin black walnut n you take it out of the can. ffles are so rich in their flavor- arting quality that a small e of truffle goes a long way cookery. Unused truffles will for weeks in the refrigerator ey are stored in sherry wine. ruffles, like mushrooms, are ex- ely versatile. But here are a things to remember about when you go adventuring. ir flavor is richest in long- ing dishes. A veal roast, for ance—little pieces of truffle ted into a half-dozen or so gashes in the outer surface of roast will give it a heavenly r. It blends exquisitely with white meats—veal, chicken, b, pheasant, but it isn't good lamb, duck, and other such meats. It adds a wonderfully r-some bouquet to fowl stuff- . A piece of truffle with a piece ie gras (goose liver), inserted the cavity of a squab or small ken during roasting makes it a fit for the gods. (A natural e-liver *with* truffles was men- d in our January Pantry Shelf s.) Truffles should not be used foods which have a pro- ced flavor of their own. They d best with foods which them- s are delicate in flavor. That. aps, is why truffles blend so ctly with egg dishes—a chop- up truffle turns an omelet into thing very special. And with hokes, either as a stuffing or white-sauce dressing to go over . Chefs use truffles widely in ssees, in brown sauce, and serve whole (one to a person) in nadeira wine as a meat accom- ment. And on the subject of , we are indebted to the us chef, Joseph Donon of the rican Culinary Society, for much of this information about truffles and their uses in epicurean cookery.

You'll find canned truffles at Charles & Co., 340 Madison Ave., New York, in 7-ounce cans (about a dozen large truffles). The brushed (unpeeled) variety are about $4 a can; the peeled (they are the choicest) are under $4.50.

If you, like many Americans, think of pheasant as a wild, strongly gamey bird, Martin's whole canned pheasant will be a revelation to you. For actually, these pheasants which are especially raised and fed for delectable eating, are the essence of delicacy in flavor. Their delicious flavor is not unlike that of squab.

This fine canned pheasant makes tempting eating simply heated in its own gravy. But it becomes an even greater taste delight if you baste it, during the heating-up process, with brandy or with white or red wine—claret, preferably. You need about a cupful of claret. Try, too, pouring a half to a cupful of heavy cream added to the gravy over the pheasant when you put it into the oven. Baste the bird with the mixture occasionally. Sour cream can be used in the same manner with very elegant results. Diced pheasant meat combined with small oysters, and then mixed into a rich white sauce flavored with sautéd minced green pepper or pimiento, and served with boiled brown or wild rice, is a memorable dish. Also pheasant slices, dressed at serving time, with pate de foie gras and truffles is a dish of real epicurean stature. For a really unusual and out-of-this world canapé, roll up a spoonful of crabmeat salad in thin slices of pheasant meat. A pickled mushroom at the lower end of the toothpick that holds the morsel together adds a final touch of goodness. It's a cocktail-time tidbit your guests

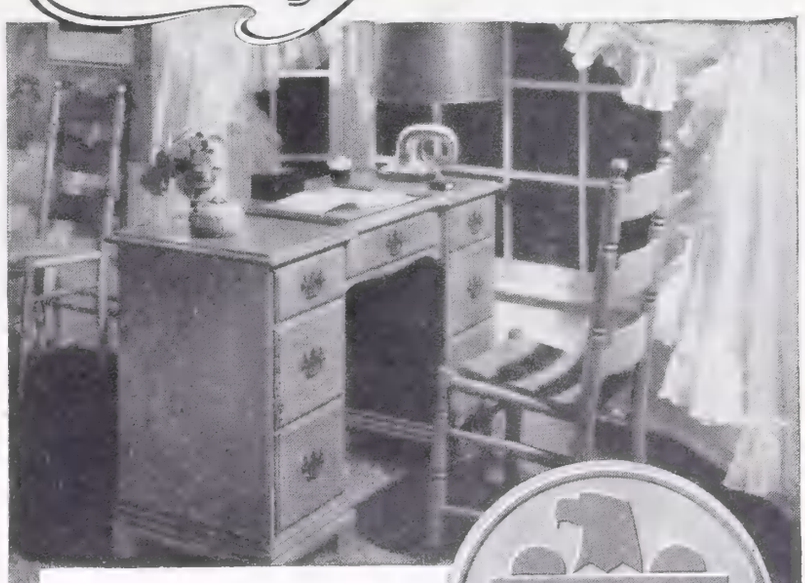
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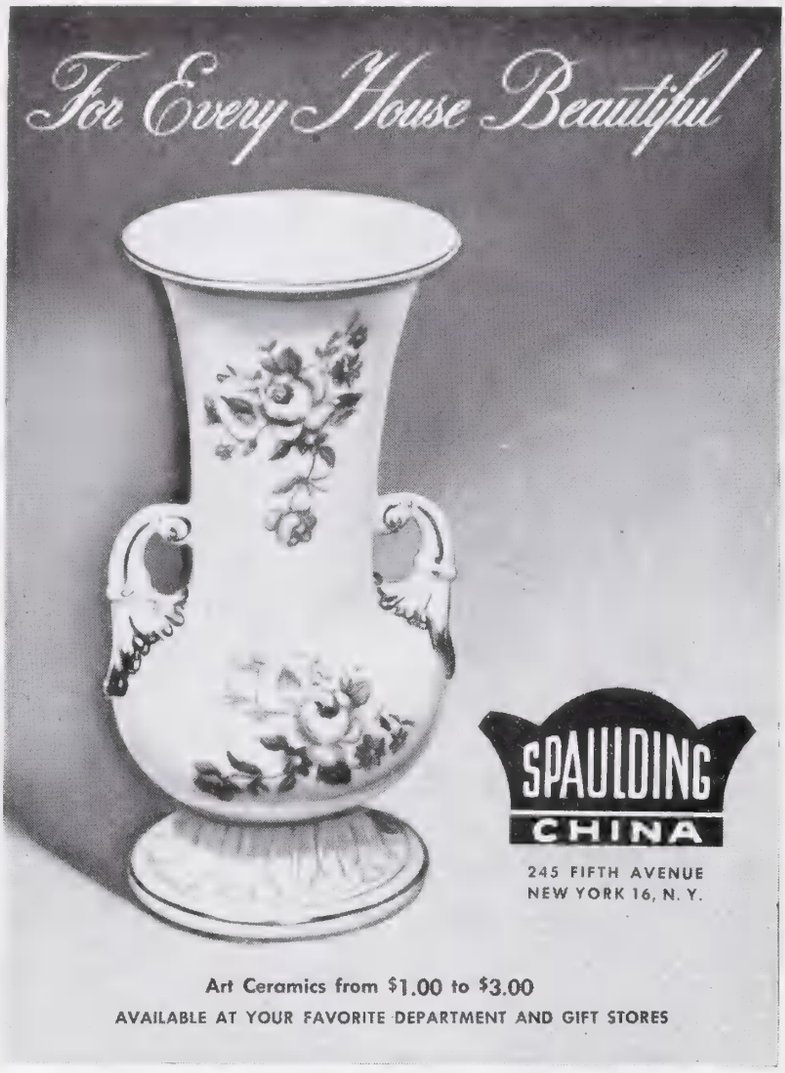
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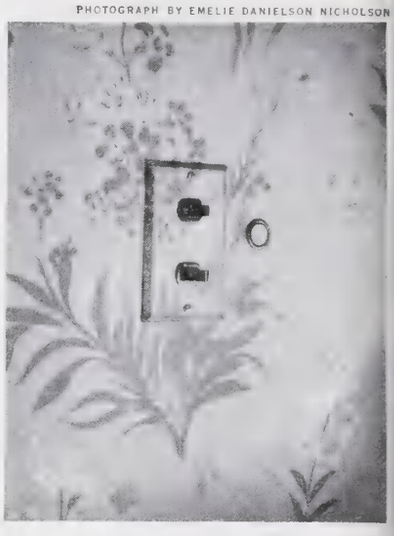


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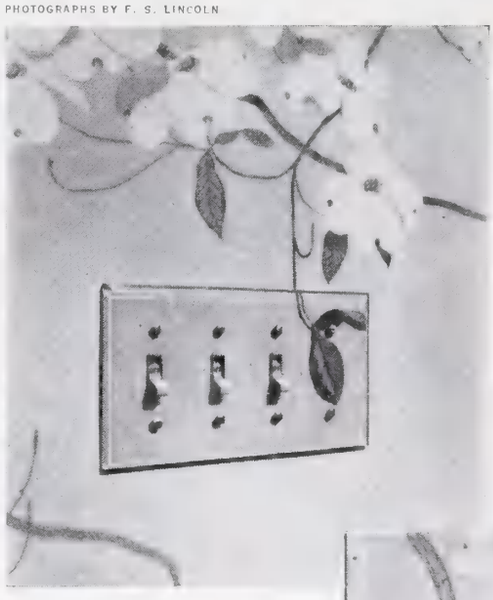
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● Paper the standard metol or plastic switchplate with wallpaper to match walls. Cut wallpaper 1/4" larger over-all than plate size, making sure design conforms to design on wall. Allow holes for toggles or buttons, and switchplate screws. Paste paper on switchplate with wallpaper paste, turning paper over edges. Attach plate

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● Switchplate above interfered with the wallpaper pattern. To camouflage this, plate was painted to match wallpaper background, and a stem and leaf cut from the pattern were pasted to the switch in the crucial spot. Right, a clear, easily cleaned plastic shield, screwed over the papered plate, keeps wall smudge-free

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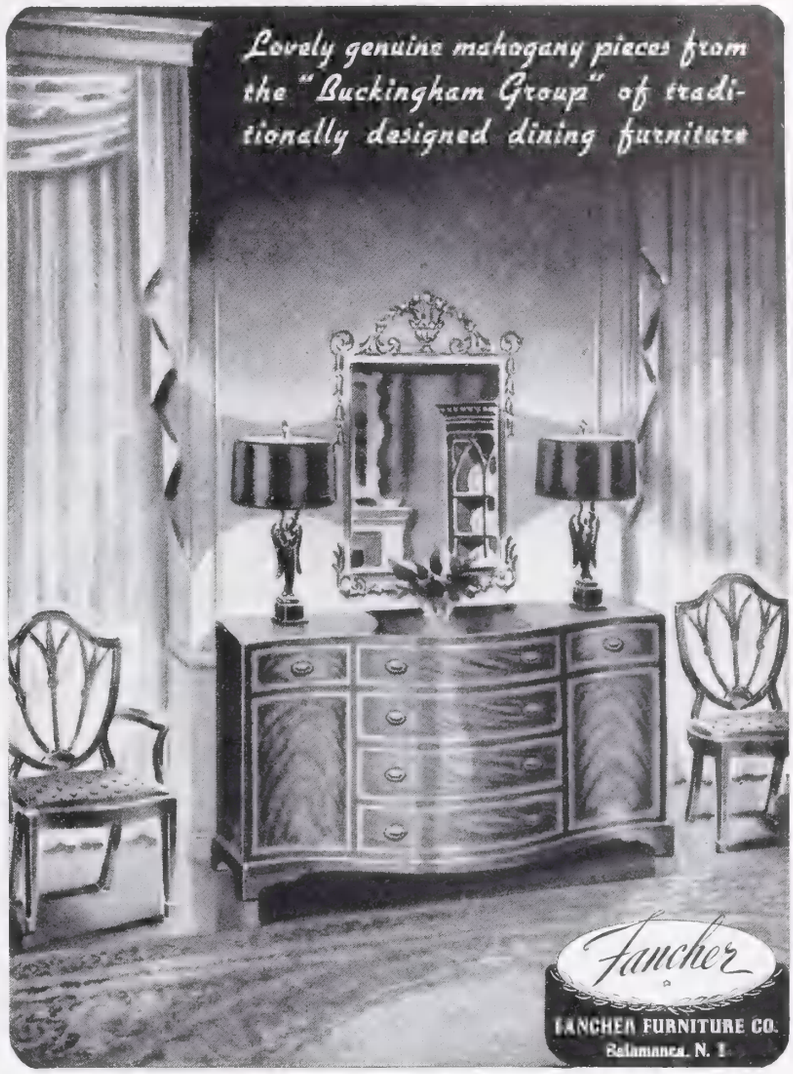
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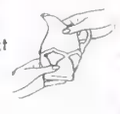
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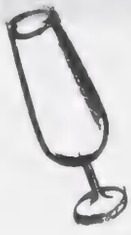
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WELCOME HOME

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bids you welcome to New York?"

"No," I said. "Really. We've never been married in New York. Things will be different. We've had three years on our own, and now we're going to commute between families."

"Some day we'll find an apartment," David said. "And if the families get difficult before we do, we'll simply move in on some of our friends and squat. That will bring them around." He leaned over to kiss me. "Relax, goon girl. We're home."

Jimmie, the old doorman, gave us a deep bow, and Scotty, the elevator "boy," kissed me because he's known me practically all of my life. Katherine and Teassie were at the door, very dressy, and crying fine hot joyous Irish tears. Behind them stood both sets of parents and Grandma and what David calls "the occasional relatives"—the ones that appear only at weddings and funerals, farewells and homecomings.

"Welcome home," everybody kept saying, kissing me and pumping David's hand. "Welcome home," they said, passing us from one to the other.

"I feel like a war souvenir," David whispered as we started down the line of the second cousins. "Battered, but of sentimental value."

The living room was bigger than I remembered it after our sojourn in Owen's Alley, and Central Park, framed in the library window looked freshly painted, down to the new moon rising in the Seventy-second Street Lake. Only the Fifty-ninth Street skyline seemed unchanged—still superior to any view I have run across on either Coast.

Everybody told everybody how well he looked, and everybody kept asking the same questions and not waiting for answers. Did we like California better than New York, and did we ever see Ingrid Bergman, and is it true that Boyer wears a toupée? The uncles slapped David on the back and said, "Looking pretty thin on that home-cooking," and the aunts kept saying, "Married three years," and clucking incredulously, the way they used to poke me in the stomach when I was little and say: "Aren't we getting to be a big girl!"

I noticed Mother beaming fondly on the performance, and I suddenly felt very young again, like a good child who has been allowed to stay up to meet the guests and was doing very nicely. Gone was the efficient young matron, the bright young homemaker, the little woman behind the big throne. I glanced quickly at David across the room, and he suddenly looked strange, too, like a beau who arrived too early and had to make nervous conversation with the family.

It was all very peculiar. I didn't realize to what extent until the evening was finally over. I kissed the family good night and Mother warned us not to open the windows too far because the night air was treacherous. It was such a long time since I had heard that injunction that I kissed her again, and then David and I went into my old room and closed the door.

The room was just as I had left it three years ago: the Smith banner over the twin beds, a dance program from a long-ago Yale Prom under the glass of my dressing table, the menagerie of stuffed animals sentimentally collected during my college career.

For a wild moment it seemed that nothing that had happened to me since I had left this room was real: that I was still Helen Markel and that I would wake up in the morning and wonder if Tom (or D. or H.) would call today and what I should wear to the party tonight.

I stared at David's pants draped over my tufted hassock and his razor on the enameled perfume tray. When I opened my bureau drawer I found his undershorts cascading over the blue satin lingerie bags Grandma had made me one Christmas. It all seemed rather indecent.



. I watched David calmly undressing in this inviolate room, and I suddenly felt that I didn't know him at all.

I climbed precipitately into the bed I had slept in three times as long as I had been married, and pulled up the covers.

"What's the matter?" David said. "See a ghost?"

I lowered the sheet an inch and looked wordlessly upon this strange man.

"Well," he said, "speak up. Who? Or rather, whoo-whoo—"

I thought irrelevantly how his striped pajamas clashed with the

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astel draperies. "You," I said. I ouldn't look at him. "You sudden- seem all wrong."

David came over and sat on the dge of my bed.

There was a knock on the door nd I jumped. David stood up ruptly.

"I have some quilts for you," other said. "It turns cold in the rly morning and your blood must ve thinned in that foolish Cal- rnia climate."

David put on his robe and I ened the door. "And remember out the windows." Mother said. "Yes," I said. "The windows . . ." remembered back to all the times would half-wake to find Mother eaking into the room to do some-



ing about the windows. Would e still do that now that I had man in my room?

The whole thing suddenly seemed egal. That was it. Having David this particular room reminded of the girls you heard about college who sneaked their dates stairs and lived in horror of the usemother dropping in unex- ctedly for a maternal chat.

"As you were saying," David d. "I suddenly seem strange." I looked at him, at the way one didn't lie quite flat and the tch in his pajamas from the time no chewed on them when he had rms.

It all seemed part of another rld.

"I can't explain it very well," I d. "But all of a sudden I don't I like me. At least not the way been feeling for the last three rs. Practically the minute I ne in the front door, I stopped ng your wife and became the ghter of the household." I ked at the way his hair grew on back of his neck, and it took my strength to say it: "And I t don't see where you fit in." David threw back his head and rted to laugh. He laughed so d I knew he would wake the ily.

Sshh!" I said angrily. "And I 't see what's so funny. I saw jump when Mother knocked. thought it was kind of illegal. This is my room, and the idea of a man sleeping in the next bed—"

David reached up and switched off the lamp on the bed table.

"Since you're so worried about the next bed, we won't even use it," he said.

I pushed at him helplessly. "Go away," I said wildly. "Go away . . . what if Mother comes in!"

"Sshh!" he said. "You'll wake the family and what will they think when they find you trying to push your husband out of bed."

I shushed. "You—you!" I knew the words, and I knew he knew them, too, but the presence of the family across the hall handicapped me.

David was busily digging his usual hole in the mattress. "Now be quiet and give me my half of the pillow, you gawky adolescent." He yawned contentedly. "And try to get used to me while I go to sleep."

I stayed as far over on my side of the bed as I could get. I watched the shadows of the taxis far below on Central Park West glide across the ceiling, and remembered lying in bed when I was little and wondering who was in them and where they were going.

And here I was, right back where I started, only there was a man in the bed with me.

I poked him. "Where do *you* think they're going?"

"Who?" David mumbled.

"The people in the taxis."

He groaned. "They're going mad, like me. Go to sleep."

THE new moon filtered in through the Venetian blinds and fell across the Smith banner and the cup I won at crew and the orange-and-black dog from the '43 Harvard-Princeton game. Then I looked at David, his cheek cradled in the flat of his hand, one ear—the flat one—outlined in moonlight.

And suddenly everything fell into place: the windows and the family, the dogs and the banners and the class cups. I must put those things away tomorrow, high up in the closet with the old Christmas tree ornaments and the costume I had worn as Ophelia in the senior class play.

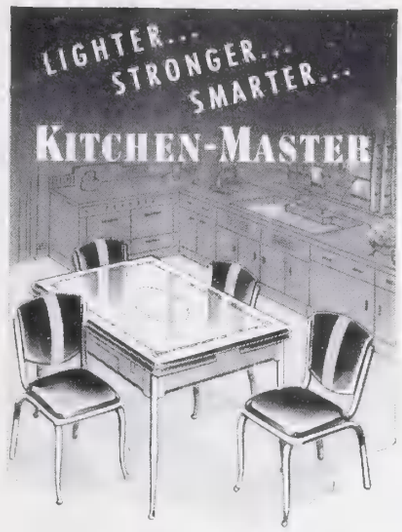
I shivered a little and burrowed down next to David. It had been a close shave.

"What if your mother comes in?" he said sleepily.

"Let her," I said stonily. "We're married, aren't we?"

He reached back and rumpled my head. "Welcome home, goon girl."

"Welcome home, darling," I said. "You're just what the room needed."



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won't soon forget. You'll find Martin's Whole Canned Pheasant at Charles & Co., 340 Madison Ave., New York, at about $8.75 for a 3-pound can which is ample for five servings.

Too many people pin chicken giblets down to the sole use of gravy-making. You're in for many taste treats once you become acquainted with the versatility of the flavorsome Minced Chicken Giblets found on the shelves of Bellows' Gourmets' Bazaar. The pure chopped mixture is subtly seasoned with onion and spices that bring out its full goodness. These giblets make tasty eating heated up as is, or creamed. But don't stop there! Try putting the mixture into spaghetti sauce, as a filling for omelets, plain, creamed, or mixed with sweet or sour cream. Mix it with wild rice, and top the combination with a little white wine for that extra touch of rich flavoring. It's delicious, too, mixed into Italian risotto, made by first frying raw rice in olive oil and then cooking it in clear chicken broth until the liquid is all absorbed—with a few tablespoons of Parmesan cheese added during cooking for verve. Use the giblets, creamed, as a center for rice or noodle rings. Mix it up into dumplings or add it to baked stuffed potatoes to convert them into "main dishes." Try folding a spoonful of the giblet mixture into folded-over squares of noodle-dough to cook in clear soup. All in all, you'll find these giblets a pantry-shelf standby for a host of tasty uses such as these. A 15-ounce can costs about $1.25 at Bellows', 67 East 52nd St., New York.

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dollars and no outside labor. Consequently our changes were minor but far-reaching in effect—that is, if the remarks of family and friends are sincere.

The powder-blue Chinese rug with scrolls of navy blue had to stay. Also the light-blue ceiling, as friend-husband drew the line at repainting that. He had painted it last year to hide some gruesome brown water marks, and claims to be still dizzy. The wallpaper was one of those "landlord's choice" patterns, guaranteed both to offend no one and to delight no one. A coat of bright navy blue water paint erased its mediocre presence from our disapproving eyes. It's really lovely and looks so much like suede that most people unconsciously run their hands over the surface.

I made new three-tiered, very full curtains from white waffle weave dress piqué bordered with giant deep blue roses and emerald green leaves.

Being a push-over for table linens that tie in with the decorative scheme, we had to do something on that score—and for almost nothing. Luck was with us when we found a remnant of piqué with a smaller rose pattern in the identical coloring of the drapery fabric. Snip, snip around every flower went our scissors. A garland was appliquéd to fit around the center table decoration and another rose in each corner of the cloth. But you are probably wondering "Appliquéd on what?" Yes, the money was practically all gone, but there was an unneeded new percale sheet on our linen closet shelf. That is now the cloth. Used with deep blue napkins, its intended use is entirely disguised. And won't it make a pretty blanket cover when its days as a table cloth is ended?

Just the other night when the previously mentioned twelve-year-old was having a pal over for dinner, he said, "Mom, don't forget to use the cloth that goes with the draperies." Even he has realized that it's the tiny touches, so small in themselves, that can add up to something big.



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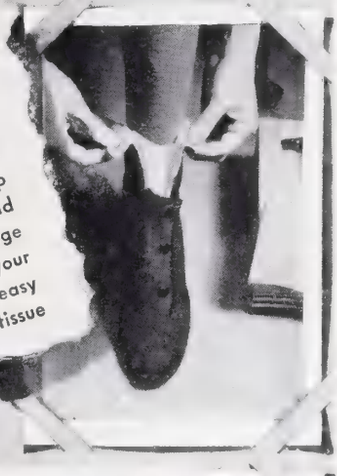
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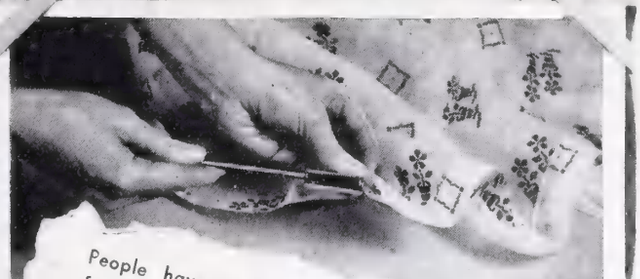
If you're always wanting to measure something in the garden, you can keep a measuring tool handy by painting a scale right on the handle of your hoe or rake. It's easy. Just apply six one-inch bands of a contrasting color



The screw driver has a way of slipping out of the screw when you're trying to lodge it in a difficult spot. But with a piece of adhesive tape around the tip of the screw driver and the inverted screw, the driver will fit snugly in the slot, and you'll be able to get the screw properly started



Save this idea for a slushy day, to protect your stockings from staining at the top when you wear galoshes. Tuck a couple of layers of cleaning tissue over top of galoshes like cuffs, and snow, rain, slush will lodge on it rather than your precious stockings. It's easy to dispose of wet tissue



People have almost as many ways to keep freshly starched curtains from tearing when the rod is slipped through as there are curtain designs. Here's another to add to your list of tricky solutions: Slip the top of a lipstick case over the end of curtain rod, and it will glide through without snagging your prized curtains

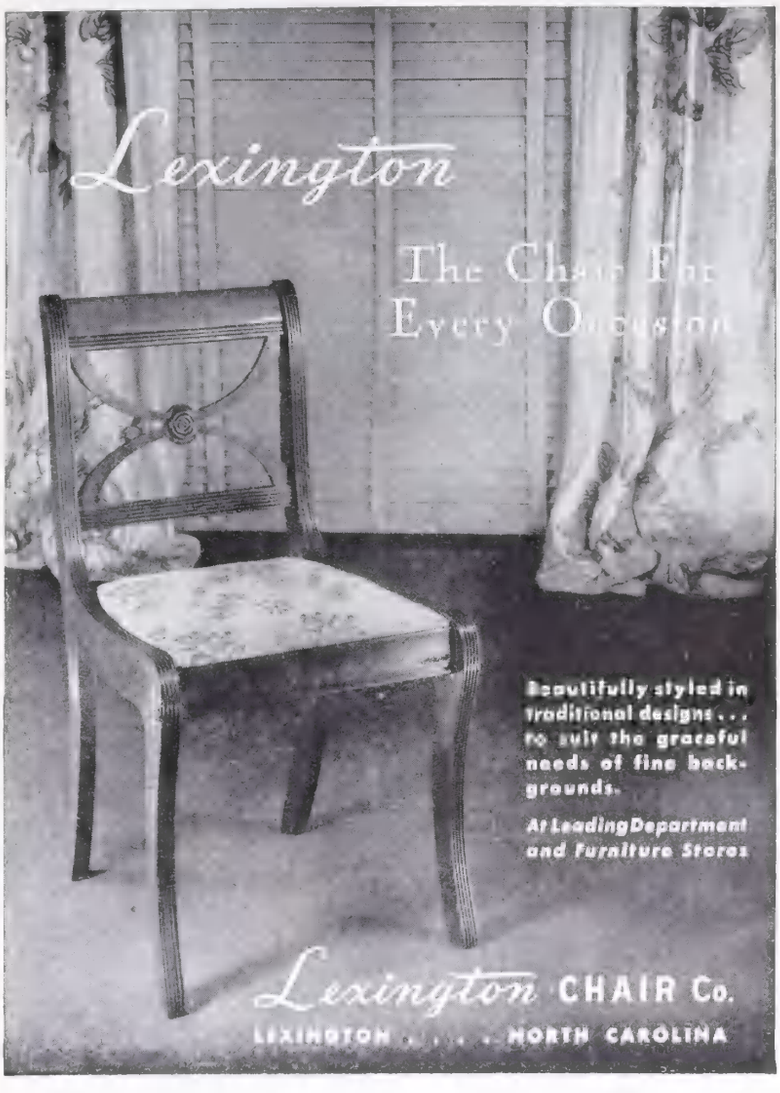
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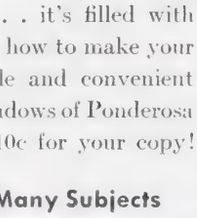
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The midnight diary of a harassed hostess

BY RUTH ANNA READ

Wednesday

Mary and George telephoned this morning from Cleveland. They'll be here tomorrow with their three children. Their first trip to New York since the war! Can't wait to see them all! Mary and George and the baby can have our room. There's room in there for our old crib. John and I will take the boys' room—it's a good thing they're away at school. Little Molly and Georgie can sleep on the sewing room couch and a cot that I'll borrow from the Fieldings. It's going to be quite a houseful, but it will be fun!

Thursday

Mary and George and the three children arrived at two p.m.—three hours late, so my cheese souffle and popovers turned out pretty badly. The Barrons all look wonderful, though awfully tired from the trip. Mary and George just as dear as ever, and baby and children simply darling.

Friday

Last night was rather a strain on everyone, as the baby is cutting teeth and didn't sleep well in strange surroundings. The children didn't like being in the sewing room "so far away from Mommy and Daddy!" We will shift tonight. Molly and Georgie can have the boys' room, and John and I will bunk in the sewing room. John hates the couch, but after all, I don't like Army cots, either. The children are quite a problem—tired and cross from trip, and into everything. Georgie discovered the boys' carpenter tools, and John says the jigsaw is broken now and several bits are missing. And my beautiful little blue Rookwood bowl smashed!

Saturday

Everybody rested and full of pep except John and me. George wanted to look up old cronies, so he and John were away most of the day and evening. Mary and I, of course, were left here with children. I finally told Mary I would do *all* the cooking, dishwashing, bedmaking, etc., ETC., if she would concentrate on the children. (Cake batter and bowl all over kitchen floor this morning.) Mary says our Spotty snapped at Georgie, but I am sure G. must have teased the dog as Spot has never been cross with anyone before. Fortunately both John and George sided with me in this when they got home, but Mary is still much upset. Spotty now in furnace room. He looked at me *so* reproachfully when I banished him.

Sunday

Spotty and baby both cried last night. Everybody exhausted today and John *very cross* about the couch. He should try the cot! Dinner more than an hour late, for Mary had kitchen all littered with bottles and formula equipment. Mary plans to go to New York tomorrow to shop, leaving me with the three children! John much annoyed, says there's a limit to hospitality and I should have refused.

Monday

Why do people travel with children? Too tired to write details. Mary says try ink eradicator on the living room rug. She's *sure* it will fix it! ! !

Tuesday

Guests who stay too long are *Pests.*

Wednesday

Guests are *Pests.*

Thursday

Maybe guests aren't pests. Now that they're gone, I'm feeling actually grateful to Mary and George. For their visit has convinced John that a guest room is a necessity. Guests wouldn't be such pests if their presence didn't mean a wholesale upheaval. There's room along the east wall of the sewing room for two box springs and mattresses if I place them foot to foot. The clothes closet problem has me a bit stumped, but I think a three-way folding screen with closet attachments on the back for hangers will solve that one. Between guests the screen can be folded away in the attic. There's already one chest there; an unpainted one to match it will make enough drawer space. I'll paint them the same blue as the walls so the room won't look crowded. It's going to be a room we can be proud to offer guests. Then John and I can stay put. No more couch and cot makeshifts which wear out host and hostess.

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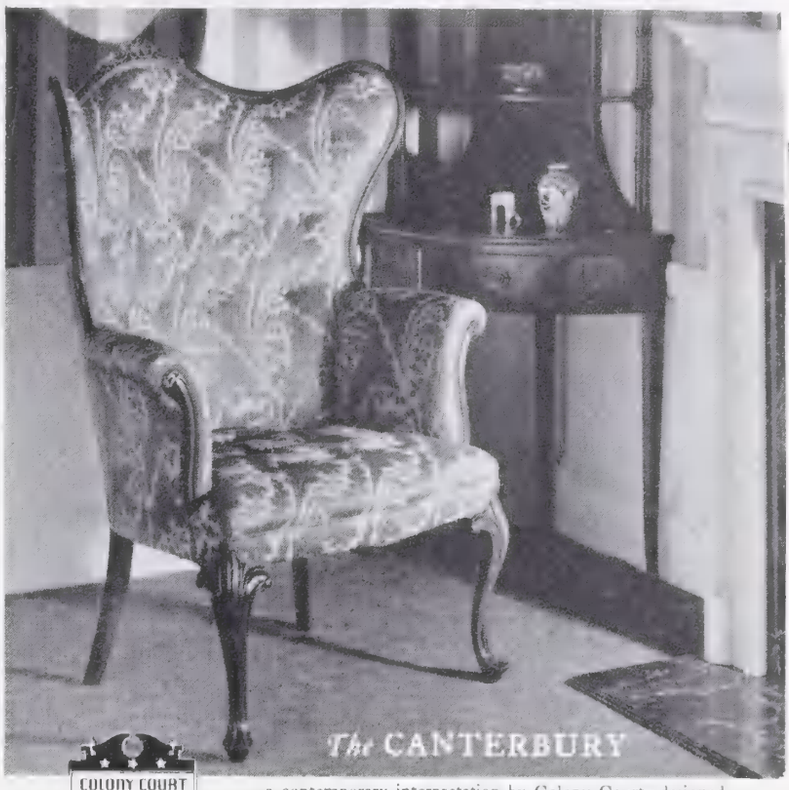
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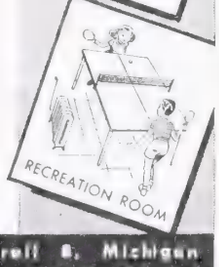
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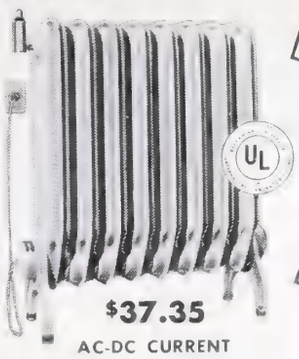








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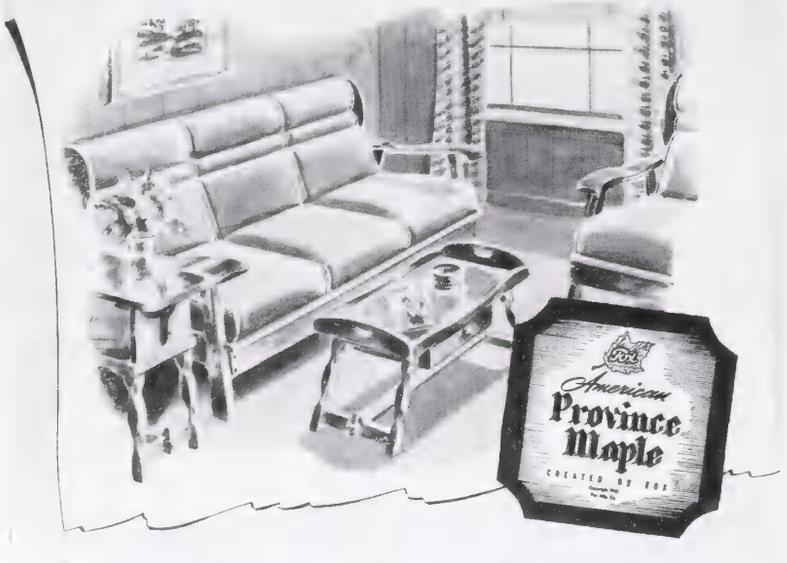
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ROSES WITHOUT WORK

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turn of the century; and species roses, many of them singles, from all temperate climates—*hugonis* and *ecae* of Asia, *arvensis* and *canina* of Europe, and our own native *virginiana* and *setigera*.

Being used to the more spectacular Hybrid Teas, you may at first acquaintance wonder why the old-fashioned roses still grow in many American gardens. Their hardiness, resistance to pests, and other stalwart qualities, it is true, add up to a stamina that survives



Rosa centifolia

neglect. But the quality that has most endeared them to gardeners down through the years is their charm. If you are a real flower lover, the old-fashioned roses will soon win you over completely. A truly beautiful rose is always modern, always new.

As to the culture of these old-fashioned shrub roses, they are far less demanding than Hybrid Teas. No two-foot deep, heavily manured bed for them—unless you want all leaf growth and few flowers. Plant each, instead, as you would set out any ordinary shrub, in a sizable hole filled in with good garden loam to which you have added a reasonable quantity of humus, in the form of compost or well-rotted manure, and a couple of handfuls of bone meal or some other slow-acting fertilizer.

Because all are hardy in most parts of the country, you don't need to fuss about mounding these shrub roses in the fall to protect them from the winter hazards of freezing and thawing. As for pest control, you can forget about the weekly or ten-day spray program that many roses demand. Shrub roses frequently need no spraying at all the entire season.

Their pruning is a relatively simple chore, too. Instead of cutting each bush back to within six or eight inches of the soil line, as you have been accustomed to doing with the more tender roses, give them the same amount of pruning as ordinary shrubs. Prune out some of the old wood in the early spring, saving the best one- and two-year-old stems.

If, however, you grow old-fashioned roses mainly for their blooms, rather than for their landscape effect, you will prune more severely. Cut the shrubs back two to three feet each spring, besides thinning out old canes. The more highly developed roses, like the Hybrid Perpetuals and hybrids of the Moss and Cabbage, require more fertilizer, too, than the species or native roses. Fertilize these gardenesque types in early spring and again shortly after blooming.

When you sit down to draw up



Rosa multiflora

a list of old-fashioned roses from a catalog, you will doubtless be confused by the pages and pages of descriptions devoted almost entirely to the flowers and to their historic importance. Much of the literature on old roses has been written by fanciers *for* fanciers and will give little guidance to the forms and heights of the shrubs, their time of flowering, their year-round value, and other points that will enter into your final choice of varieties and species to fit into your own garden picture.

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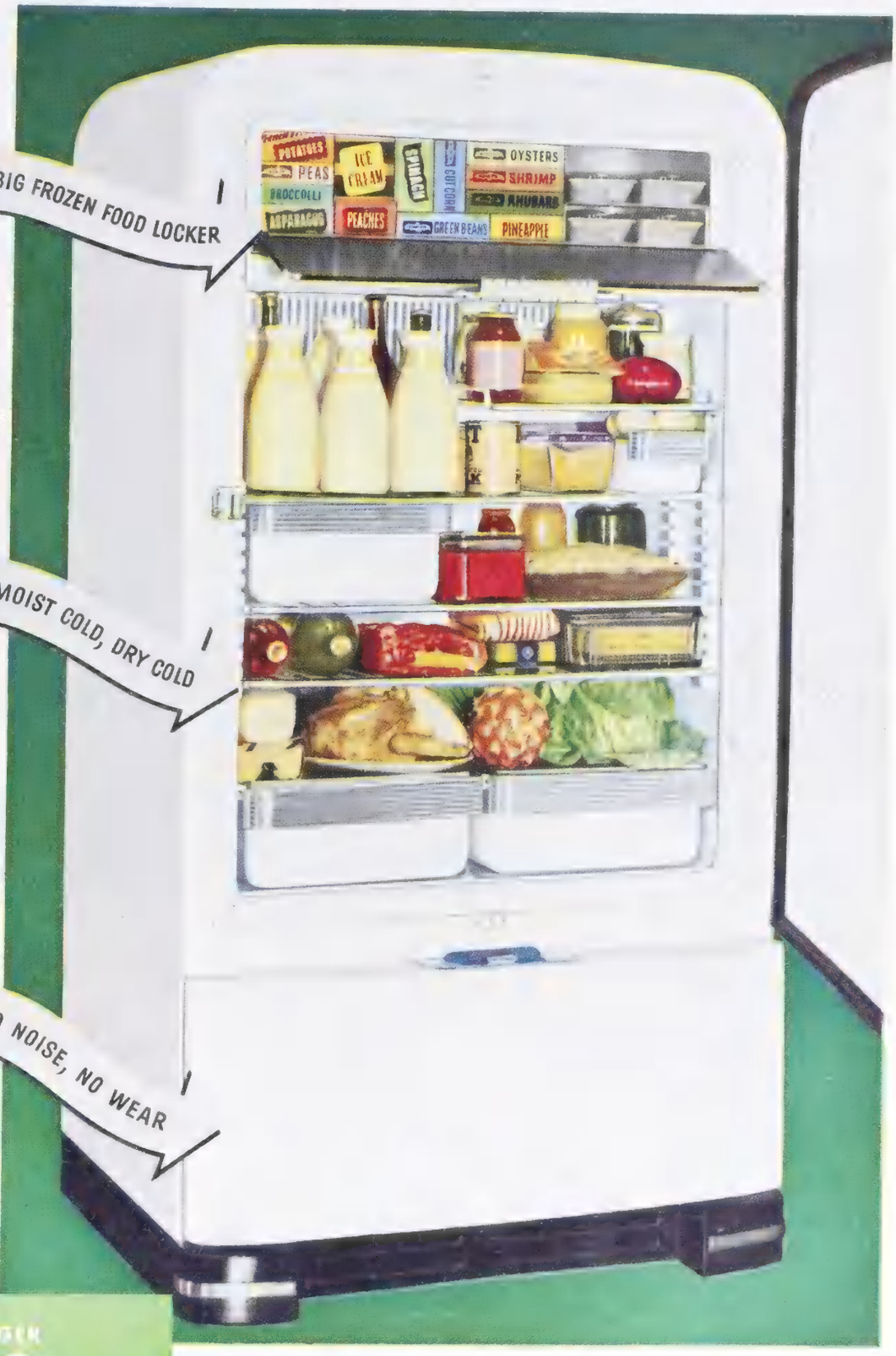
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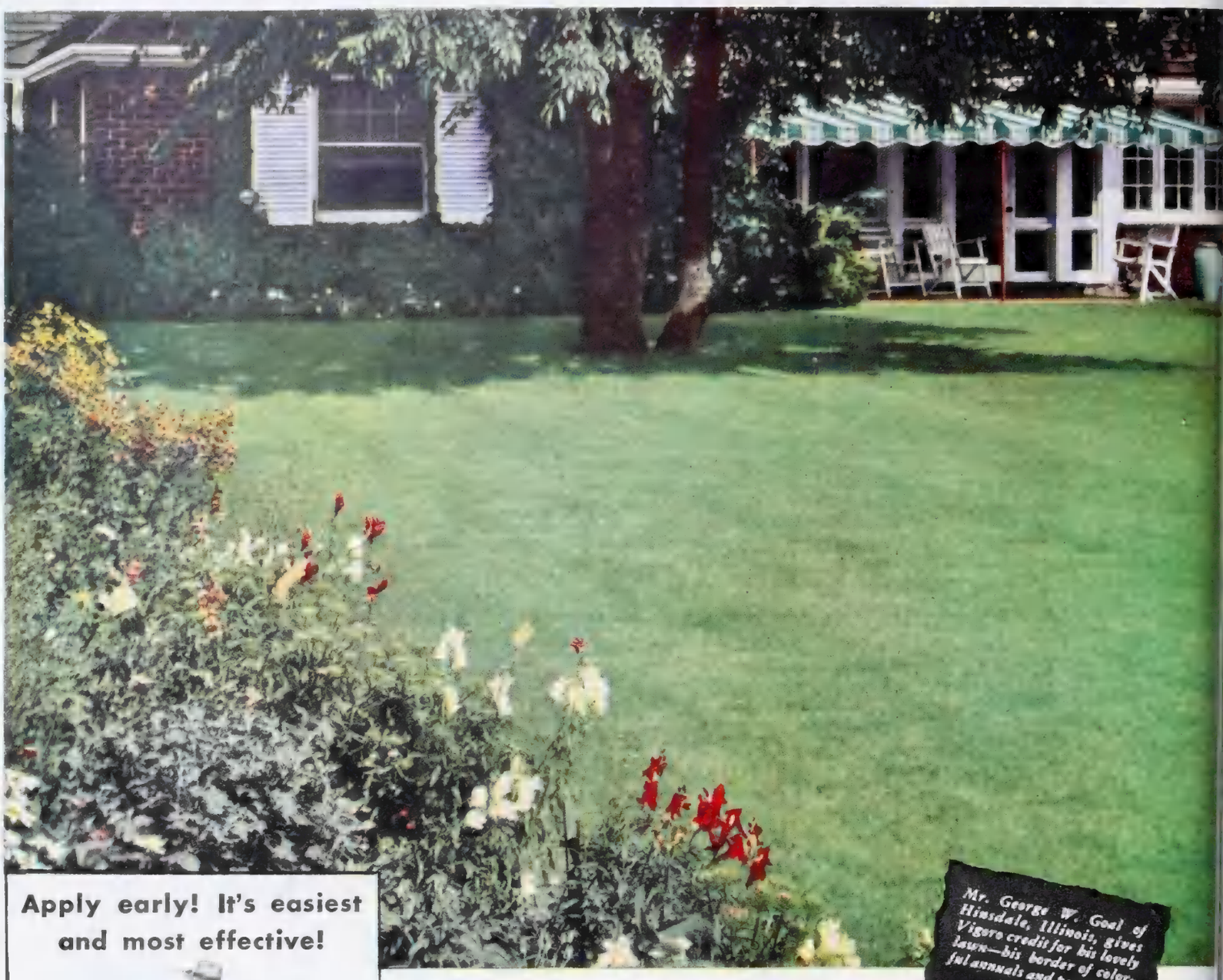
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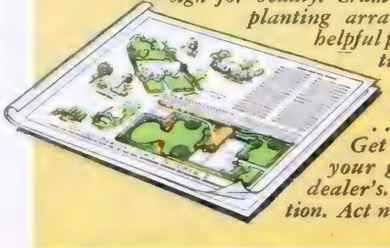
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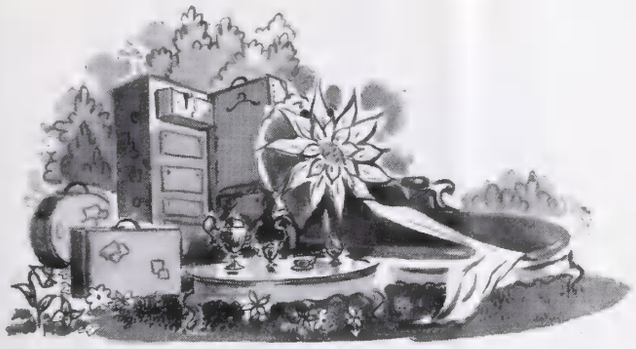
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GUEST LIST FOR YOUR NEXT GARDEN PARTY

By Agnes Rothery

DULL, damp winter afternoon s an excellent time to plan next summer's garden party. course, your true gardener is ning for it twelve months a —even when the garden is full of bloom—even when it invisible in the sleepless hes of the night.

ut there is a difference be- n vaguely imagining what ef- s of color, form and succession shall aim for, and actually ng pencil and paper and writ- down the list of guests who to be invited. We open the l register—in this case the catalog—and not one volume several, for who has yet found floral Debrett's Peerage which ides everything—the well es- ished dowagers, and perennial elors, and the newly intro- d and elegantly expensive ntantes?

he amateur who has never ted a garden is tempted by collections (a dozen packages a dollar) and by block lists of nnials (costing $18.50 for an erishable border) and by the ntifically worked out and num- d diagrams which accompany lists, showing just how each t should be properly placed he feast. Like the novitiate ess who calls on a professional ake out a list of suitable names, to determine the type of entertainment and refreshments, and hands the whole thing over with a sigh of relief, the amateur gardener toys with the idea of accepting one of these carefully and correctly compiled nursery offers and, if possible, getting the nurseryman to plant it.

But your seasoned Eve or Adam is never satisfied with any such ready-made short cut.

The longer we garden, the more self-assured and exclusive we become. We remember the time we invited the Mexican four o'clocks and they came rushing in fluttering full skirts, and appropriated the whole place so boisterously we had to shoo them out. We have coaxed the antirrhinum to attend half a dozen times, and although it grudgingly made an appearance, it has been a sulky one. The dianthus has a way of getting bedraggled before the party is half over. In spite of the salvia having been to finishing school, she is apt to revert to her original shrewish ways and quarrel with everything else. The bachelor button and larkspur lose their natty spruceness and wander seedily all over the place. Away with them until they have learned how to behave or, perhaps, until we have learned how to handle them. And that new rose, whose portrait and description in the catalog prom-

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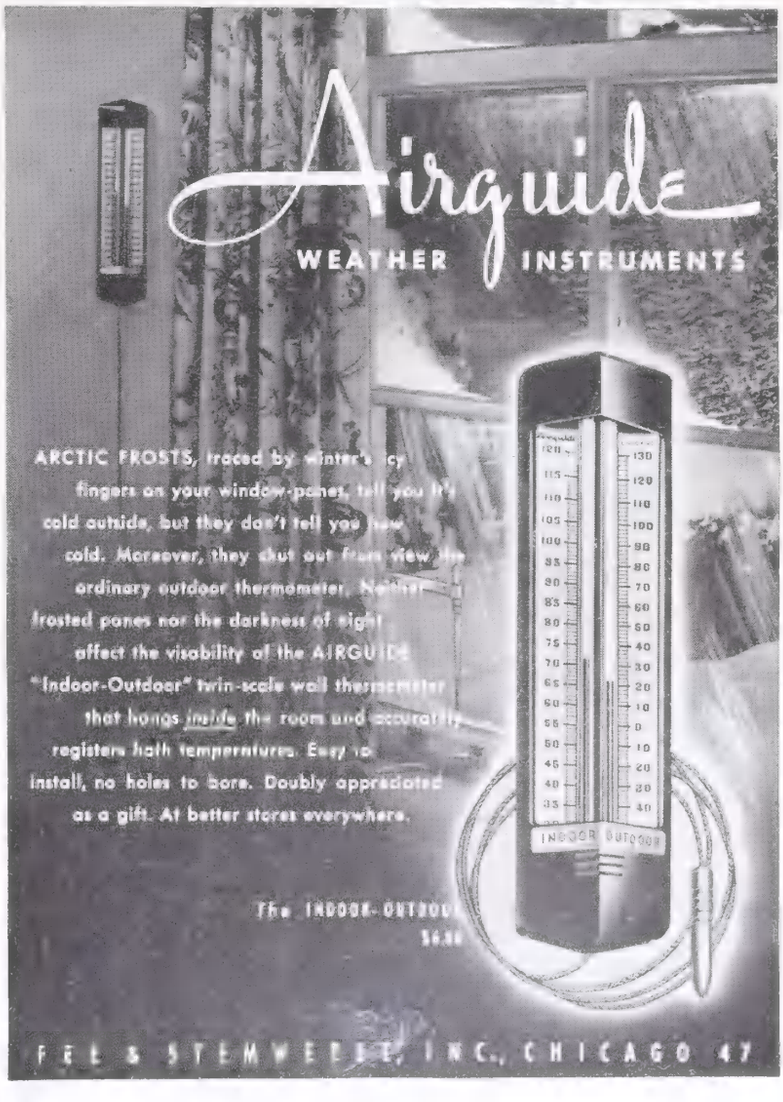


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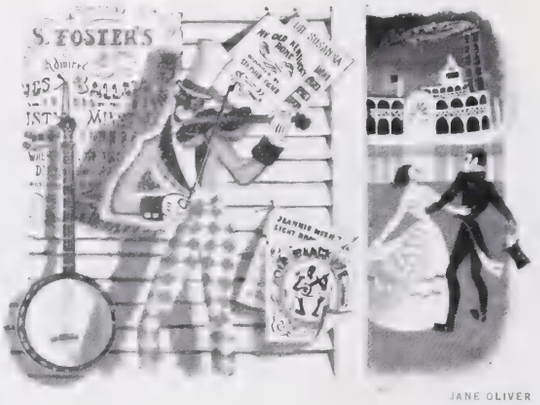
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Stephen Foster In The Home

By Richard Williams

I want to call your attention to a new book called "A Treasury of Stephen Foster." After a preface by Deems Taylor and a short biographical sketch by John Tasker Howard, this book sets before you Foster's best songs arranged for the piano by Ray Lev and Dorothy Commins. William Sharp has illustrated each song, and very well, too. The illustrations are not the modern interpretations that one finds nowadays dashing through the classics and upsetting old illusions, but have a sentimental American and loving flavor that blends well with the songs themselves.

John Tasker Howard is the foremost biographer of Stephen Foster. And both Ray Lev and Miss Commins are good American pianists. Their collaboration assures us that the book has quality.

However, it is not alone because the book is good that I would like to speak about it. I have two reasons, and in the second the book is only indirectly involved.

My first reason is the particular admiration I feel for Foster's songs. Anything which makes more of them better known is fine with me. Not that Foster lacks fame; on the contrary, perhaps he has even too much of it. Or rather, he has the wrong kind of fame. We seem to consider him today either as a man who simply re-told the melodies of the old South—a kind of Uncle Remus in white-face—or as a clever and facile tunesmith, a kind of Cole Porter of the early Nineteenth C tury. It is easy to put him in t first classification, because "C Folks at Home" or "Massa's in Cold Ground" have been heard often and have become so muc part of our national tradition t we think of them as folk son We have forgotten that one m wrote them. We believe that t are simply two more expressions all the many Negro spirituals wh have been sung on plantations in the fields, and have originate long time back, originated ano mously not from one man but fr many, born in people's thro rather than set down on ru music paper.

There must be some people, the other hand, who think Foster as an early inhabitant Tin Pan Alley. Else why would take the songs and give them s and sleek modern arrangements the radio, blow up the simple m dies so that "Oh! Susanna" the equivalent apparatus of a n ber from *Annie Get Your Gun* embroider them with orches tions that use harps and woodw choirs until you think that "Ca town Races" is a cousin to Ra "Bolero."

Stephen Foster does not bel in either classification. Though songs are simple, they are not songs; they are art songs. Tho he was not a sophisticated c poser, he was a musician and just a songsmith. His gift was

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The moment's here... and I'm frightened

I've never said good-by to America before.

I try to keep remembering my pioneer great-grandmothers, who left *their* homes to follow *their* husbands. But they didn't have to cross a sea and go to a strange land . . .

Still, I know that none of this will matter when I see Bill again. When he snatches off his army cap and smiles all over his wonderful, homely face. When he boosts his son to his shoulder and we set off for the first real home we've ever had.

Bill isn't sure yet what sort of home it will be. But whatever it is, it won't seem strange for long.

There'll be windows . . . and I've got crisp organdy curtains for them. There'll be walls . . . and they'll brighten when I hang my Grant Wood prints. There'll be a table . . . and the feeling of home will come with a rush the first time I set out my beautiful International Sterling.

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Claret in the kitchen

These two bachelor Escoffiers discovered that claret's place isn't limited to lemonade. They give it five stars for excellence in cookery

By K. L. Steinhauser and H. J. Cohen

THE familiar American direction to "add a little water" has been revised in our bachelor-kitchen to "add a little claret." And claret's as easy to use as water is, we discovered recently when we tapped the bottle we bought for claret lemonade for a lamb stew. Here are some of the ways we tried it:

Lamb Stew With Claret

2 tablespoons of drippings
2 pounds of lamb for stewing
½ cup of minced onions
1 clove of garlic, minced
2 teaspoons of salt
¼ teaspoon of pepper
1 tablespoon of sugar
1 cup of hot water
1 cup of claret
6 medium carrots
6 small potatoes
6 small onions

Bouquet garni: tie a pinch of summer savory, thyme, 2 bay leaves, tarragon, and rosemary in a bit of muslin

Wipe the pieces of lamb with a damp cloth or paper towels. Melt drippings in a heavy Dutch oven and brown the lamb. Add onions and garlic, and cook until tender, but do not brown. Add salt, pepper, sugar, bouquet garni, water, and claret. Cover and simmer about 1½ to two hours. After cutting the carrots in two, the long way, add them and the other vegetables and cook about thirty minutes more o until they are tender. Serves four

Next we tried claret in our ham burgers—just for fun.

Gourmet Hamburgers

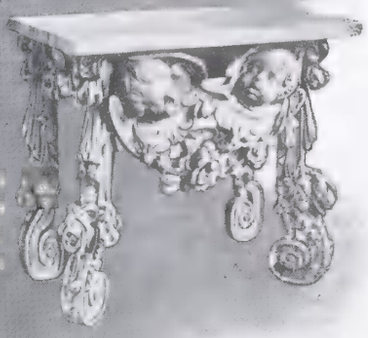
2 pounds of ground meat
1 tablespoon of butter
Pinch of garlic salt
Pinch of pepper
Pinch of House of Herbs, Blend A
1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
¼ cup of claret

Make your hamburger cakes a least four inches in diameter an an inch thick. Fry in the butte till brown on both sides. Seaso with the garlic salt, pepper, an herb blend. Continue to cook unt the meat is almost to the poi you desire and place onions ato each hamburger. Pour the clar into the skillet and cover. Coo three minutes longer and remov from fire. Serve on toast and pou wine and butter residue in skill over each hamburger. If you' being reckless, this recipe w serve four. If you're stretchin six or eight.

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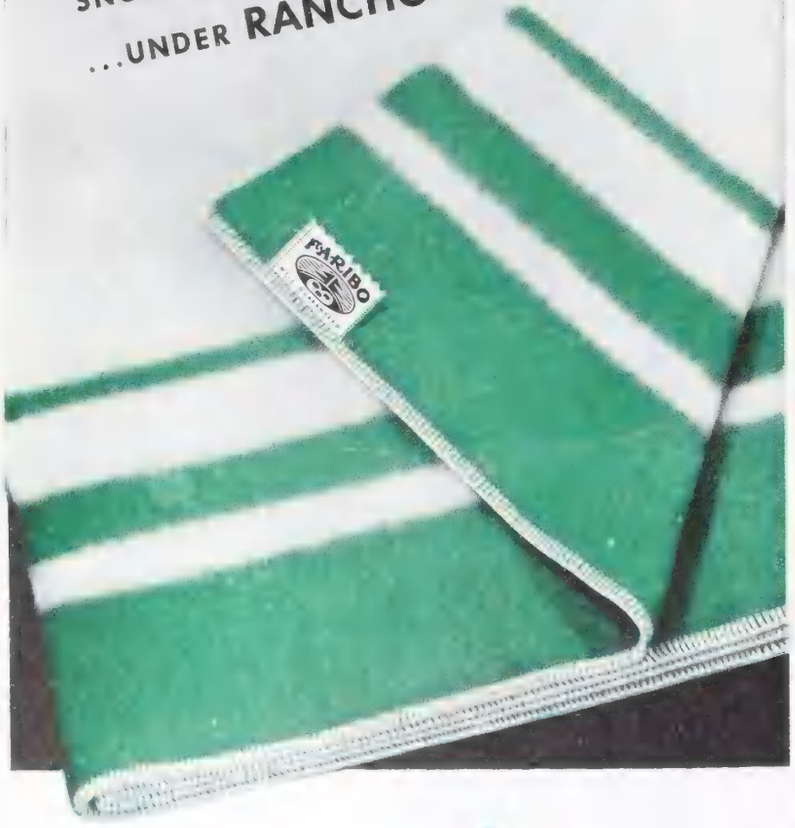
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CLARET IN THE KITCHEN

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We got the claret bottle out again to make the grade with dinner for two "hard-to-please" folk. We planned grapefruit sections for an appetizer because we are six o'clock bachelors and frozen grapefruit sections are quick and easy. But we lifted them out of mediocrity by adding claret to the natural syrup.

Grapefruit Sections In Claret

Get those sections that come frozen in their own syrup if you can. Thaw them out and place in a deep bowl with one-quarter cup of the syrup and one-half cup of claret. Put in refrigerator and chill for several hours before serving. You'll discover a new sweet-sour combination designed to soften critical guests. Of course, canned sections will work with this, too, or fresh grapefruit if you're good at peeling.

Now that lamb chops are available celebrate by making:

Minted Lamb Chops With Claret

Chop half a cup of fresh mint leaves and mix with two-thirds of a cup of claret. Season the chops with salt and pepper. Place them in a shallow pan and cover them with minted claret. Place in the refrigerator to marinate for several hours. Then broil the chops as usual. Heat residue liquid and pour over chops when serving.

STEPHEN FOSTER IN THE HOME

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and original, if limited. Schumann once said that in order to compose it is only necessary to think of a melody that nobody else has thought of before. That was just an epigram, because music consists of much, much more than melody. But Foster *had* the gift of thinking of melodies that nobody else thought of before, and—what is more important—of making those melodies of such a nature that they go right to your heart. Yes, Foster was a marvelous composer of melody. And his melodies are not only beautiful but they are easy, easy to sing and easy to remember. That is one reason why we think of them as folk songs. This is true not only of the Negro songs, but also of the others (which I personally prefer), such as "Oh! Susanna." "Jeannie with the Light Brown Hair," and his finest love song, "Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming."

Much has been said about Foster's lack of success during his lifetime. We know that he did not make enough money to support his wife (the Jeannie with the light brown hair), and that she left him; that he probably would have earned more had he become what he started out to be, a bookkeeper; and that he died in a Bellevue Hospital ward with 38 cents in his pocket. But his tragedy was due not to a lack of appreciation by the public, but to the simple business fact that in his time there was no organization to protect the rights of a composer of popular songs (such as Ascap, the co-operative society to which all American composers belong today), and that therefore it was possible for song publishers and singers to obtain Foster's songs at ludicrously low prices and sometimes not even pay for them but just take them. There is a second reason: Foster was a thoroughly bad business man. He gave away "Oh! Susanna" to a friend who then made ten thousand dollars from the song and never so much as shared a dollar of it with Foster. What little money Foster did make he squandered, mostly on drink. It is tragic, of course. But it was not the public's fault. (It was not even the fault



of the publishers, who simply followed the trade practices of the imes.) Foster was *not* unknown or undiscovered. His songs made an immediate appeal, as they naturally would. "Old Folks At Home," which he had originally sold for fifteen dollars, was printed in hundreds of thousands of copies.

It seems to me that Foster's career shows certain similarities to that of another great American genius, Edgar Allan Poe. Like Foster, Poe enjoyed popular fame. "The Raven" was recited by everybody just as Foster's songs were



sung by everybody. Like Foster, Poe did not make enough money from his art to keep himself decently alive, though Foster was never as poor as Poe, who at one time could not afford the postage stamps to mail his manuscripts to his publishers. Like Foster, Poe sought escape in drink; and again like Foster, Poe died young and from too hard a life. If Poe's dreams were dark and bent into the lower regions, Foster's dreams were light and gentle; but both gave the world, and Americans particularly, a great deal that is unique and beautiful.

Now I'd like to mention the second reason why I recommend the book to you. Foster's songs, I have said, are easy to sing; the arrangements of the songs that are made in the "Treasury" are easy to play. In fact, if you know how to play the piano just a little, you will be able to stumble through them and get pleasure from playing them. Now, playing at home and singing at home seem to me to be an excellent way of making friends with music. And this book (or others like it) may be a good occasion for you to gather family or friends around the piano for a little strictly non-professional playing and singing. I can't think of a better opportunity to introduce the younger members of the family to some of the nation's most loved melodies—music that is as important for them to know as their history lessons. And at the same time you'll give them a thrilling taste of the fun and beauty that come to those who know how to make music for themselves. We are now indubitably a nation of music lovers. But our love is of the passive kind: we sit and listen, we admire and appreciate the music made by accomplished artists or played by virtuoso orchestras. We do not make enough music ourselves. Yet no amount of listening can give us the insight into music that we can obtain when we ourselves play.



Music becomes something different and much more personal when we don't sit separated from it by the footlights. That is true even if the playing we do is of the kind from which only the player can get pleasure. I am for more homemade music, and if it cannot be well played, let it be badly played—but let it be played.

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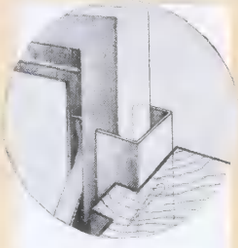
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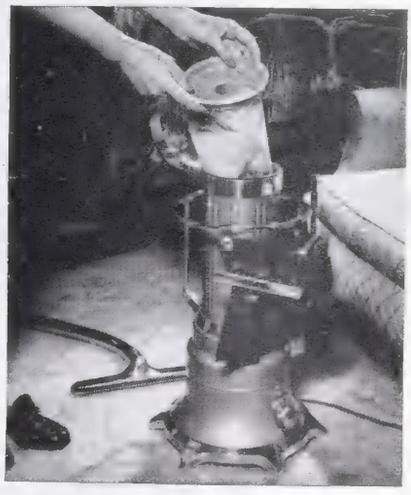
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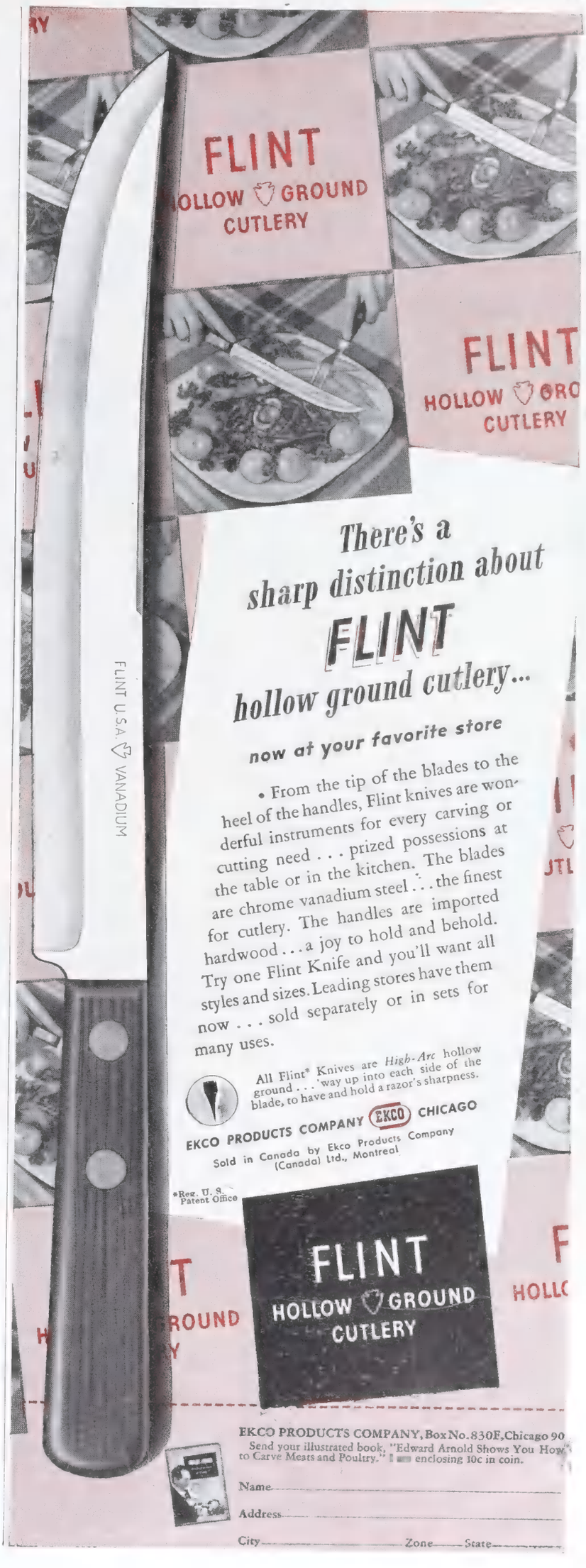


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OVER

ELECTRIC RANGES

How to Clean the Oven of an Electric Range

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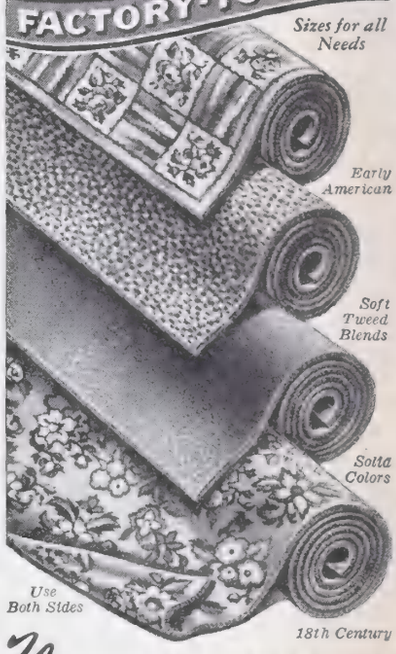
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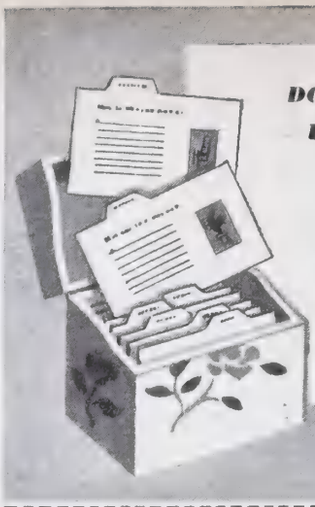
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OVER

ELECTRIC RANGES

Procedure: Be sure the current is turned off. Allow the oven to cool partially (it is more easily cleaned before it has cooled entirely). Remove shelves and heat units and put them in a dry place. Wipe out inside of oven with a cloth wrung from soapy water. Rinse and dry well. If food particles adhere to the surface, rub the area lightly with fine steel wool. If there are any stubborn baking—or roasting—spillovers, cover the soiled surface with a cloth saturated with water-diluted household ammonia and allow to remain for 20 minutes to an hour. The burned-on substance can then be easily removed with a cloth or fine steel wool without damaging the glossy surface.

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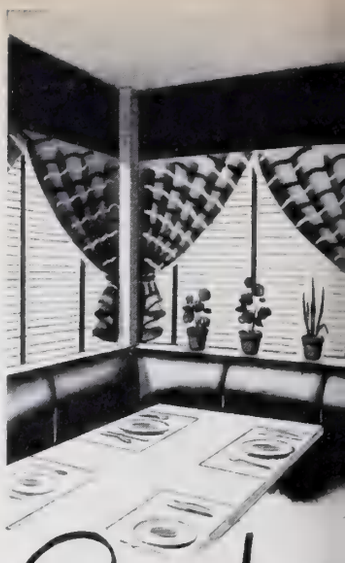
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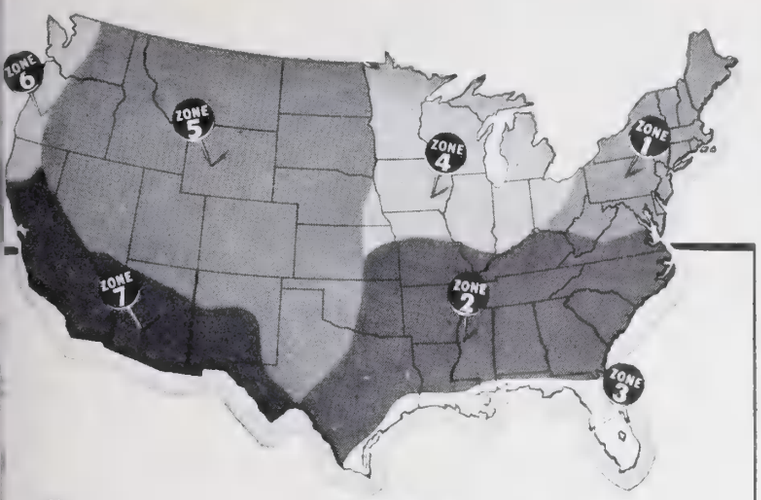
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ardeners have a special treat in store with the arrival of seed catalogs from two New York firms. Peter Henderson & Company celebrates its one hundredth anniversary this year, and the Stumpp & Walter Company, its fiftieth. The spirit of celebration is very apparent in both their catalogs.

Both catalogs have a new sparkle to their covers, and added color pages within. They present more new items of interest to gardeners than have been shown since well before the war. Henderson's has several new vegetable and flower introductions of its own; and both firms list also two dozen or more each of new varieties of annuals, dahlias, vegetables, and perennials. And, in addition, there are many reintroductions available from Europe in peacetime: large Spanish cardoon, watercress, corn salad, chervil, hothouse melons, several kinds of herbs, and Italian torpedo onion, the mildest of all onions to eat raw.

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JAPANESE IRIS

This Spring

By GARDINER EWING

You don't know what your garden is missing until you see the Japanese iris in flower. You'll realize then the splashy potentialities of this plant which blooms soon after bearded iris. With flowers as large as pie plates, a single plant will make a stopping point of interest in your garden. And if you plant Japanese iris in mass, you will be rewarded with a bank of rich color, three to four feet tall, ranging from pure white through pinks and lavenders to almost clear blue and deep purple.

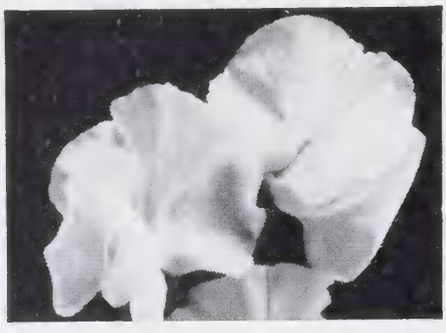
The three broad outer petals or falls of the Japanese iris (*I. kaempferi* or *laevigatus*) are so large in some varieties that they droop gracefully because of their size, and their bases are frequently accented with gold. A few varieties are double with base petals the same size as the falls, but most have a crown of three small standard petals at the center of the flower.

Both in scale of flower and of plant (they may reach five feet in height in the most favorable locations), the Japanese iris is a h perennial. It is therefore well study available areas and su rounding plants with this point mind before you decide on yo planting.

Because these iris thrive in dar and rich soil, probably the mo satisfactory location to plant th is on the border of a swam stream, or pond. Here they w make a spectacular show, especi ly in combination with masses the tawny daylilies (*Hemeroca fulva*) and its varieties with t common elderberry as backgrou All of these plants flower in unis so you can picture the delight effect, with orange trumpets daylilies, purple, blue, and wh discs of Japanese iris and t clusters of creamy white eld berry flowers.

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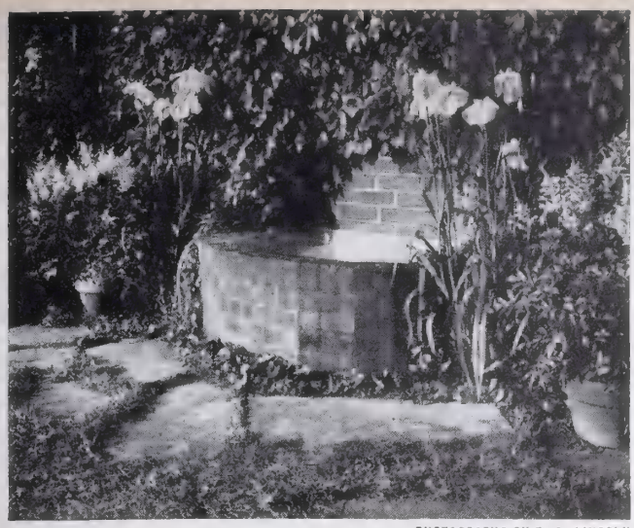
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● You'll also enjoy Japanese iris as an accent, particularly near a pool in semi-shade. Here the blue-tinted white Mountain Glacier was set out, while at the bud stage, along with pots of astilbe Peach Blossom. Both plants will be removed after flowering and replaced with lilies and annuals that have been grown along in pots

apanese iris does best on heavy , even on a clay if it contains ıe humus. So, whatever texture oil is found in your garden, add it liberal quantities of humus. ted manure is excellent, while mold with dried shredded ıure is also good. These will e body to the soil and provide ıty of food the first season for iris, which is a heavy feeder ı a much larger and more fi- us root system than the German . In successive years you can l with commercial fertilizer h spring as growth starts at rate of three pounds per 100 are feet.

ry Japanese iris either in mass as accent in your borders. It es a handsome display in mass, ecially if backed by some dark- aged evergreen, like a yew ge as shown above. A group ıting, because of variations in oming time of different varie- , will be effective for three ks.

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yours is a small garden that be overbalanced by a mass ıting of Japanese iris, use it as nts at regular intervals down length of your borders, choos- just one or two varieties so all plants will be in bloom at . The nice part about this me is that your borders will ı have color during the slack time following the big late-spring show of tulips and German iris.

In choosing a location for your Japanese iris, you have the choice of full sun or partial shade. It looks particularly well beneath tall, high-branched trees like oaks, in combination with pink and white astilbe, lemon lilies, and ferns.

Try Japanese iris, too, in pairs or singly as accents in an architectural setting. Because it is a moisture-lover, this plant seems especially appropriate beside a small pool or dipping well, as you see in the picture above.

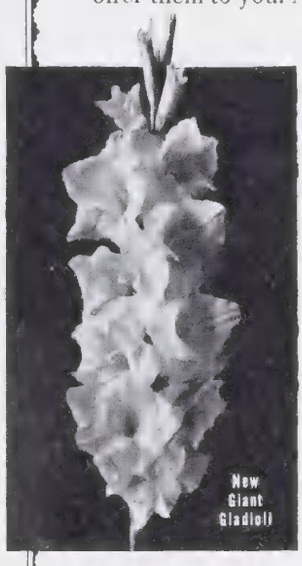
You don't need to leave the plants in any one special spot when they are out of bloom. Japanese iris are as adaptable and husky as chrysanthemums when it comes to being moved. Whisk the plants into their setting when they are in the budding stage, and move them out again after they have finished flowering. In this way you can have a succession of color by your pool—spring bulbs preceding the iris, then potted lilies, and later chrysanthemums.

If you live on the East Coast, anywhere from New England to the Deep South, in the Northwest or California, you can grow this iris with ease. It also does well in the Middle West states and in other parts of the country which are near bodies of water. The most difficult areas for its culture are, as would be expected, the dry hot states in the center of the country. If you are to grow Japanese iris here, you must give it plenty of humus and water it in the summer. In fact, it appreciates water during midsummer droughts anywhere.

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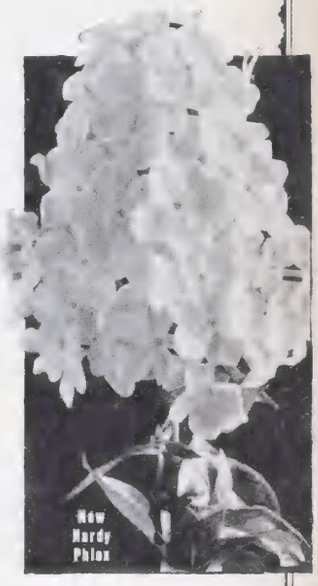
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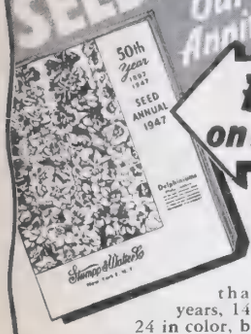
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ised so much! She arrived on time, gave one brief ineffable smile and then for the rest of the evening merely took up too much room, demanded too much food and never twinkled another blushing smile. Even the gladioli, like gawky English school girls with exquisite complexions, who have been brought from the school room to the drawing room before they have learned how to carry themselves—they must develop a better posture before they are asked.

Of course, there are the familiar and faithful perennials who will come as a matter of course, just as certain relatives and old friends must always attend every celebration. We don't omit Aunt Clara because she has grown so fat, or Uncle Bob because he has become a bit tedious, and it would take a harder heart than most of us possess to root out a huge and healthy bleeding heart because its corolla is not precisely the right shade, or discard a sturdy phlox because its conversation—in this case its florets—is not as satisfactory as it might be. We shall keep the old standbys, that is, most of them, even if they are not quite up to the mark. We forgive them their faults of niggardliness or superabundance, but it is hard to be amiable when they commit the social error of staying too long.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS, for instance. How delightful to welcome them when most of the other guests are going or have gone. Fresh and fine and lavishly attired they come stamping in and fill up the thinning room with their vigorous personalities. Splendid! We *are* glad to see them. But gradually as the house empties and the dining room, which looked so festive with its joyous throng, takes on a disordered appearance with empty spaces on the once carefully arranged tables, the hostess grows a bit fatigued. She would like to clean up the whole mess and go to bed, for it has been a long hullabaloo from start to finish.

But you can't begin chucking stained linen into cold water and picking up broken glasses and emptying ash trays so long as there are still merrymakers waving their hands and bobbing their heads and calling to one another. You can't do a thorough job of pulling up the dead annuals and getting in fertilizer and compost and transplanting spring perennials, so long as the garden is more or less filled with chrysanthemums. Of course, you can cut all the blooms and chop down the stalks, but even if your vases, and your neighbor's vases, would hold them all, it is unthinkable to denude a still sparkling garden and more than to turn out revelers who don't know enough to go home.

How easy it must be in those Scandinavian countries where a flower garden is a sheet and burst of bloom for six short weeks. Everyone comes to that party. Everyone wears gala attire. Everyone sings and dances and eats and drinks and it is the wildest, gayest, gladdest celebration. And then with the first clap of frost, everyone goes and the garden can be tidied for the next year.

BUT in my Virginia garden chrysanthemums may be blooming until late in November, and around the southern door petunias may sprawl and clamber and bud until after Thanksgiving, their faces fresh and their leaves as green as if they had just arrived.

It's not the fault of the petunias I sent them seed invitations with a lavish hand, and they have manfully borne the brunt and heat of the long summer and done their best—and a very good best—to make the garden party a success. But until they clear out I can't repair the gap which in April belongs to the Saxatile Compacta. By the time these lingering supposed guests have taken themselves off it may be too late to prepare for the early spring breakfast.

And so, on a damp, dull winter afternoon I take a pencil and order blanks and begin to ponder and plan. I will go cautiously this year. I won't have a carousel *omnium gatherum*. I'll have a select and distinguished reception. And even as I ponder, I remember my husband once remarking, "You know, we could never have a salon."

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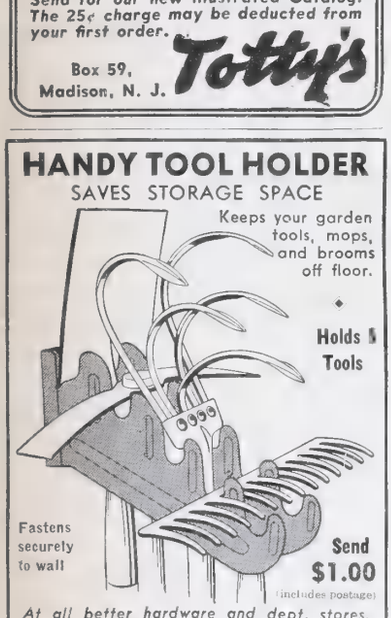
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ROSES WITHOUT WORK

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As a guide to some of the useful old-fashioned roses and their popular varieties, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL offers the following list, with roses grouped by forms. In addition, a few hardy modern varieties with high landscape value, have been added (and so indicated). Choose the shrub roses to fit particular locations in your garden, first seeing them, if possible, in flower at a nursery or botanical garden.



Rosa hugonis

Upright Roses

Dog rose (*canina*). 5½′-9′ tall. A large, bold shrub with heavy stiff stems, occasionally arching. Useful mainly in background. This European species has single pink flowers and cranberry size fruits.

Cabbage or Provence (*centifolia*), 5′-6½′. A spreading, rather ungainly shrub with quite heavy canes and Hybrid Tea-size foliage. It is popularly called "cabbage" because of the flower's tight formation of many overlapping petals, like the leaves of cabbage. The term does not refer to size of blooms. Many varieties in shades of pink and white.

Moss rose (*centifolia*), identical to the cabbage, but with a moss-like covering of the calyx. This beloved old-fashioned rose has several named varieties.

China or Bengal (*chinensis*), 1½′-2½′. Low, somewhat spreading, with fine foliage; useful as edging or in foreground plantings. Dainty flowers, both single and double, in yellow, pink, white.

Bourbons and Noisettes are both offsprings of *chinensis*. Some varieties are low, others grow 5′-6′. Bourbons are hardy but the Noisettes succeed only in warm climates.

Damask (*damascena*), 4′-6½′. Has light green stems and leaves the size of a Hybrid Tea's; hardy and will make robust growth. This is one of the finest old-fashioned roses. Locate some near a bench or path where their fragrance can be enjoyed. Choice varieties include the famous York and Lancaster, white with some deep pink markings, Kazanlik, a semi-double grown in the Balkans for the production of attar of roses, and deep pink Marie Louise.

Ecae (*ecae* or *primula*), 3′-5′ tall. Has fine-textured, glossy foliage and very decorative red thorns on erect branches. One of earliest roses to bloom, with pale yellow flowers along the stems. A handsome shrub worth featuring.

French (*gallica*), 2½′-4½′. This low shrub, left unpruned, will spread some by suckers. Plants are hardy with slender prickly stems and quite fine foliage. Cardinal de Richelieu is one of the double varieties, with flowers an unusual violet and deep velvety purple. Duc de Guiche has flowers of an orchid shade also unusual in the rose, and La Rubanee is white with rose and purple veinings. Plant these fragrant French roses in beds or as foreground to large shrubs.

Hybrid Perpetuals, 2½′-6′. Roses of this group began to appear about 1840 and had the lead in popularity until 1900. Flowers of most varieties are fragrant, varied in color, many of them very large and full. Among the fine varieties are white Frau Karl Druschki, rosy-pink Mrs. R. G. Sharman-Crawford, bright carmine Oskar Cordel, velvety crimson Gloire de Chedane-Guinoisseau. Most flower in June and July though quite a few repeat in fall. Hence the European classification of these old varieties as "Perpetuals."

Rosa moyesi, 4′-6′. Use this rose in combination with other shrubs where its legginess won't be too apparent. Worth growing for its unusual deep blood-red blooms.

Redleaf (*rubrifolia*), 5′-6½′. Its bronze-red foliage rates it high in landscape use. Try it with some of the grey-green pines and also near the house, where you will enjoy its pink flowers also.

Rugosa (*rugosa*) 5′-8′. Upright shrubs that may become mound-like by suckering, rugosas are available in double or single flowers of several shades of pink and white. They have handsome rich deep green foliage that is thickly veined and leathery. Stout, dense bristled stems make them useful as hedges. They bloom in June with Scotch roses, and late lilacs; many varieties have a scattering of bloom through the summer.

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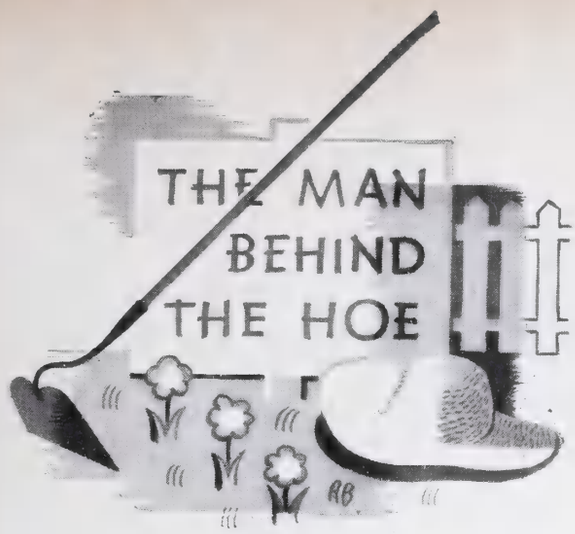


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his is the season when, in theory, every good gardener draws a an for the coming season so that may order his seeds and get me of his plants started indoors. is a well-founded theory, too, d its practical value is so obvious at only to the most inexperienced ginner does it require any demstration. Yet many of us prostinate about it until the day mes when the soil is fit to work and then we're too busy. Soon erwards, as the rows begin to owd, we wonder where to put this find a corner for that, and intably repent our casualness.

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Several dusts are on the market under trade names, such as Arasan, Spergon, Semesan, and Yellow Cuprocide. Any one of these is safe to use on all your seeds, and will be of direct benefit to the majority of them. For instance, tests have shown that one of these brands is of little help in treating lima bean seed, though it is far better for members of the cabbage family than another brand, which rates at the top for lima bean seed treatment. If you plan to grow a wide variety of plants, it will, therefore, pay you to invest in two kinds of dust for seed treatment.

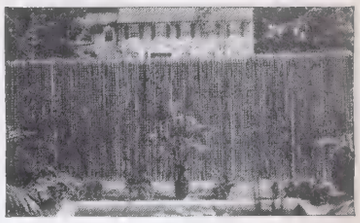
Despite protection by dusting seed, it is still desirable to give old flats a good cleaning and disinfecting with, for example, a solution of liquid formaldehyde at the rate of a cupful to a gallon of water. Some professionals use sterile sand for the flats in which seeds are sown, putting in first a layer of peat moss, so that the sand will not slip out through the

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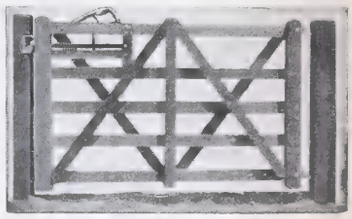
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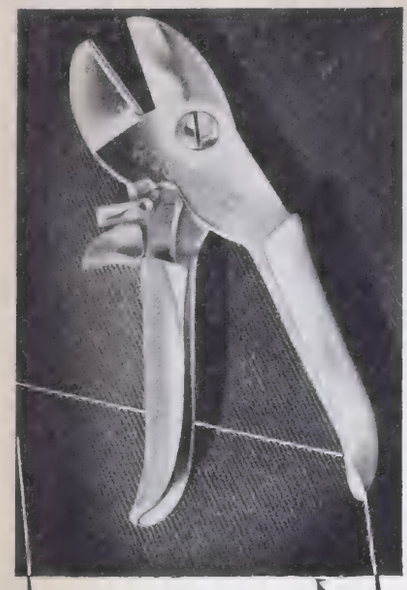
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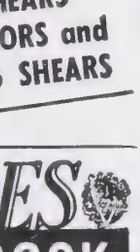
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openings in the bottom of the flat.

It is now generally agreed that flats are better watered from below and the usual practice is to stand them in shallow water, Also recommended is the wick method, one end of the wick, frayed out, in the bottom of the flat, the other end extending below the flat into a pan of water. If the pan is kept filled, the planting will get a continuous supply of moisture.

Seeds contain initial supplies of food for the tiny plants, enough to enable them to reach the size when they can be pricked out into other flats at wider spacing. If you wish to raise them to transplanting size in the first flat, and if sand is used in it, plant food must be supplied. A teaspoonful of regular garden fertilizer, such as 5-10-5 analysis, dissolved in each quart of the sub-irrigation water will be ample for a week.

WHETHER to use seeds left over from last year is always a question, and more often than not it should be answered in the negative, unless you are prepared to take a chance on the probably much lower percentage of germination.

Some seeds, of course, are short-lived even with the best storage conditions, others—the weed seeds in particular, unfortunately—will retain the spark of life for 20 years or longer. Last year's seeds which have been lying around in the tool house or the cellar are very unlikely to have maintained full germination, but it is easy to test them by keeping a dozen or more rolled in damp paper for a week to see if they sprout.

While any clean flower pot or shallow box from a cigar box upward in size can serve as a flat, the more usual size is much larger, up to about 16 by 22 inches, the depth being always about three inches. You can buy flats made up or in sections ready for assembly.

After sowing seed it is usual to cover the flat, partly to prevent evaporation, partly because some seeds germinate better in darkness. The seedlings will, of course, need light as soon as they sprout.

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Of course it is possible to have a good garden without going to the trouble of raising plants indoors. They can be bought. So also can your vegetables and flowers, so why have a garden at all? The fact is that to the true gardener, in whom the love of growing things is strong, there is a quiet but keen delight in sharing the creative work of bringing on a new generation, playing a part in the prologue to another gardening season. The pleasure of seeing the first seedlings is greater than that of seeing the first robin as a harbinger of spring, since he comes through no act of ours, whereas we stand *in loco parentis* to the plants.

Charles Dudley Warner, in those mellow essays of his which were popular a generation ago, wrote: "The man who has planted a garden feels that he has done something for the good of the world. He belongs to the producers. It is a pleasure to eat the fruit of one's toil, if it be nothing more than a head of lettuce or an ear of corn. One cultivates a lawn with great satisfaction, for there is nothing more beautiful than grass or turf in our latitude. The tropics may have their delight, but they have not turf; and the world without turf is a dreary desert.

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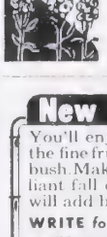
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ROSES

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its brownish-red stems; foliage, shiny dark green. This native rose has clusters of pink flowers and may be naturalized or grown with other shrubs in the garden.

Fountain-Shaped Roses

Sweetbrier or Eglantine (*eglanteria or rubiginosa*), 5'-8'. With somewhat stiffly arching branches, the Sweetbrier makes a handsome shrub as a specimen near the house or as garden background. This European rose has made itself at home along our roadsides and pastures. Produces small clusters of pink roses and foliage that is fragrant when damp.

Austrian briers (*foetida* or *lutea*), 7'-10'. One of the varieties, Austrian Copper, has striking copper-red single flowers; another, Persian Yellow, double golden flowers. Use as shrubs or train as pillars.

Harisons Yellow (*harisoni*), 6'-8'. This is a gardenesque rose with slender stems much like *hugonis*' but with better foliage in late summer. Deep yellow, double flowers appear in early spring, directly following those of *hugonis* and preceding the rugosas'.

Helen (*helenae*), 6'-8' or more. Is a handsome specimen shrub or pillar, especially variety Patricia with clusters of semi-double white flowers whose centers are filled with many golden stamens. The glossy foliage is very handsome.

Father Hugo's rose (*hugonis*), 5'-8'. Has fine-textured foliage on slender, bristly, mahogany-red branches; will sucker to form a broad mound unless pruned each year. Bears single yellow flowers early, with Persian lilac and Altaica rose. Its earliness and arching habit suggest using it in combination with late tulips.

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Mound-Shaped Suckering Roses

Meadow (*blanda*), 3'-6'. Good in full sun or part-shade, on banks or as foreground for other shrubs. This northeastern native shrub has soft pink flowers on slender, almost unarmed branches. Another native, *carolina*, is much like *blanda*, but with brighter pink flowers.

Rosa nitida, 1½'-2½'. Stubby branches clothed with fine prickles; spreads rapidly and will grow in sandy waste places. Good for naturalizing on slopes. Has shiny foliage and rosepink flowers.

Rugosa, 5'-7' or more. See description under "upright."

Scotch (*spinosissima*), 1½'-4'. This below-eye-level, twiggy and dainty-foliaged shrub is attractive naturalized, but also makes a low hedge if suckers are pruned. Flowers are very fragrant, usually white but sometimes pink or yellow. Variety Altaica, is the finest white, blooms early with lilacs.

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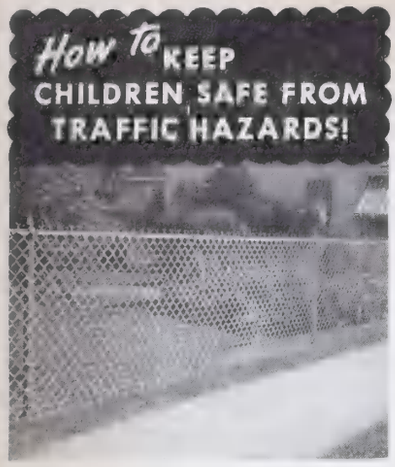


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brush to electrical outlets fulfilled these requirements, we would not need any bric-a-brac or ornaments in our houses, for there would be beauty everywhere.

There has been tremendous development in the field of industrial design and new materials, and this development is still proceeding. Ultimately we can hope that the telephone in a lady's boudoir will not be precisely like the one in a butcher shop, although it will be precisely as efficient. People who live in rural communities will not stick a tin box on a post by the front gate, but each letter box, no matter how inexpensive, will harmonize with its house. The squalid huddle of ugly tin boxes on poles slanting every which way will vanish from our rural roadsides.

IN THE meanwhile, while we wait for professional designers to remedy these horrid objects to which we have resigned ourselves as inevitably ugly—or worse yet, have become so accustomed that we do not notice their ugliness—we can ourselves remove many a blemish from our homes. There are articles either arranged lifelessly on mantels or shoved away in attics which can be put into daily and attractive duty. A beginning has been made with old china apothecary jars converted into lamps, and big brass preserving kettles polished to splendor and serving for kindling boxes or trash baskets.

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"irons." This is not because they are made of iron, for they are of wood, but long ago peasant women used them to smooth their dampened sheets and towels and coverlids. Each is thirty inches long and five inches wide, and in the center, carved from the same solid piece of wood as the runner, is a substantial handle. Some farmer, in the long Arctic evenings, carved a design of excellent and unpretentious taste around the edges, and on one he carved the date—1788. You may see such irons hanging on the walls of museums, and many people who have visited Finland have brought back one or several and hung them on the walls of their libraries or in their entrance halls.

We took our two and inserted one in each of the two panels of a door which opens out of the hall. The grips make perfect handles, so that both sections of the door can be drawn together simultaneously and what would otherwise be merely a stereotyped opening has become an interesting feature.

TO BE sure, this adaption of quaint objects to present-day uses may be disastrously abused. I recently saw, in an otherwise formal drawing room, an old three-legged wooden milking stool. I marveled to see the host's pride as he sat, or rather, teetered upon the old thing. I personally do not consider an old cobbler's bench, pressed into service as a cocktail table, either attractive or suitable, unless in a rough and tumble playroom or in a camp with a rugged fieldstone fireplace. In a room with brocade curtains, and gilt mirrors and deeply upholstered couches, it is an anachronism.

An atrocious old hat-rack, tortured into a new plant-rack, remains as atrocious as it was before. The cast iron bases of sewing machines, triumphantly presented as table bases, are still cheap cast-iron, corrugated with banal decoration.

I admit that not everyone can go to Finland for a pair of "irons," but in many sections of this country there are well made and unique objects which can be purchased for very little and put to excellent practical use.

There is no secret about proper utilization. There are only three requirements to consider. Will the converted object be suitable to its new use? Is it really good in line and material? Will it be appropriate to the room or house where it is to be installed?

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WINDBREAKS AND HEDGEROWS

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eds and nuts sprouted and grew form bands of mixed evergreens d shrubs that wise farmers left outline their properties and to tract insect-eating birds. You will d a hedgerow valuable today to und your property and to give ivacy, especially along the public ad.

In planning a hedgerow, it will y you to visit a natural planting d observe the kinds of plants d how they compose.

You will notice, first of all, that untry hedgerows are made up of ody plants that are native or that turalize in the vicinity. They up according to their own habits growth and strength of compe- on. Certain tall plants, like the l cedar and the pin oak, grow gly or in very small groups, mak- staccato points of interest Many the shrubs, like the sumacs, sas- ras, shrub dogwoods, and wild es, spread by suckers into broad unds. A few vines find the fences scramble up into the cedars.



The composite result is a plant- that has repetition enough to g together, but at the same time, ugh variety of texture and sky- to give plenty of interest. If follow nature's rules, your n-made planting will, in all like- od, succeed both from the stand- nt of beauty and of permanency. the plan on page 85 as a gestion for planning your hedge- , or as a pattern that can be eated to fit the length of your perty.

The straight, regular rows of a dbreak adapt it especially to formal garden plan. If your perty lacks space for the 35- t-wide border, plan of which is wn on page 85, you can cut it a double row of honeysuckles l pines, or even to a single row red cedars or arborvitae.

Winter is a good time to figure the kinds and numbers of ubs and evergreens you will d for early spring planting. This l be easy with a windbreak be- cause all you have to do is measure the length you want to fill and do a little division, using the figure 4 for shrubs and 8 for red cedars, pines, other large evergreens, and trees. These are the planting distances.

In planning a hedgerow, you can do this on cross-section paper after pacing off or measuring the area. Or, on a day when the ground is open, you can drive in stakes to mark locations of plants. This may be more satisfactory, especially if you have views that you want to keep open.

Locate the largest specimens first—the oaks, pines, and cedars. After driving in stakes, tag them with colored strips of cloth or a bit of paint. You will probably want to locate tall trees at intervals throughout the length of the planting. Next, locate the single small trees, like flowering crabapple or hawthorn, and mark their stakes with a different color. Last, come the groups of shrubs—first the tall ones, to be spaced about six feet apart; then the low ones that can be of two to four-foot spacing. When your stakes are all in, view the area from different angles trying to visualize the appearance of the mature planting. You may have to shift some stakes to open up a future vista or to move a special favorite where it can be most easily seen.

When you set the plants out in the spring, plant them in the same order as you inserted the stakes. This means that any divergence you have to make from your plan will be done with the smaller material, which is far easier to shift around. Dig individual and ample holes for the large specimens and beds for the shrub groups, setting these plants out with the tallest at the center as they would grow in nature. Keeping the ground cultivated the first season will give the plants a good start.

When your windbreak planting begins to crowd together, you can cut out every other tree or shrub. Aside from this, and an occasional pruning of old wood, neither your windbreak nor your hedgerow will need very much care. In a few years the plants will fill out to form a uniform and handsome planting.





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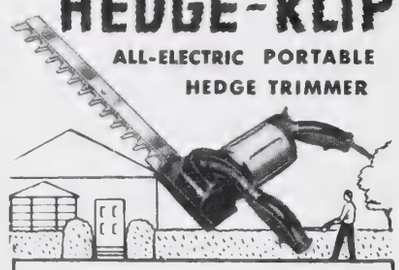
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calendula Orange King; delphinium Wrexham hybrid. Still a popular item is the little Crystal Palace Compacta lobelia, introduced in 1861, when the Crystal Palace was erected in London.

In this bleak and icy (up north, at least!) month of February, it is hard to look back and visualize the mild November that we experienced throughout the East. From the Bulletin of The Garden Center of Greater Cleveland comes this comment on November bloom:

"November is here, and we have had a most unusual fall. In most gardens roses are still in full bloom and chrysanthemums, which are usually nipped by an early frost, have had a chance to show themselves at their very best. One can see an occasional bush of cydonia, forsythia, or witch-hazel, or a flowering crab in full bloom."

Ditto from New Jersey, and even from a Florida nursery comes this report:

"Well, November ended the hottest on record. The temperature was seven to ten degrees above normal, with less than one-half inch of rain. It's been summer, except at night, and more like the month of May or October than November. . . . We have had to stop moving large citrus trees—just too hot."

For many gardeners, the unseasonable November weather was a boon and has given them a head start on planting and soil preparation that they would ordinarily leave till spring.

The enthusiasm of West Coast gardeners for begonias is gradually spreading in the East. The New York-Suburban branch of the American Begonia Society held its first meeting in November, making the fourth group (at this writing) in the East, as compared with about five times that number in California.

Tuberous-rooted begonia culture is almost as controversial as that of African violets, it appeared from a discussion following a talk on the subject by Mrs. Norman Hedley (of 71 Willard Terrace, Stamford, Connecticut), Secretary-Treasurer of the new branch. Whereas one member transplants them in May to outdoor beds of soil mixed with pure leafmold, Mrs. Hedley grows her prize-winning tuberous begonias in tubs in the shade of oak trees on her terrace, using the soil formula of seven parts of oakleaf mold, three parts of peat moss, two of sand, one of bone meal, and one of old manure.

One member had tried two methods of storing the tubers—one, washing them and keeping them dry; the other, leaving them in pots and placing these on their sides, dry, over winter—and reported equal success with both, with about 80 per cent of the tubers coming through. One member grows all her plants from tubers; another has had great success from cuttings, which he declares root readily even in an outdoor soil bed.

Gardeners in the northern half of the United States needn't hunger for spring if they follow the house plant formula of Louis J. Kuester, president of the new New York-Suburban branch of the Begonia Society. He grows 150 plants in his New York apartment and attributes his

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Speaking of house plants, we learned from Julius Roehrs Company f Rutherford, N. J., one of the biggest growers of pot plants in the ountry, that the demand is heavy for foliage plants. The company ttributes this trend, we were surprised to learn, to the home magazines hat are showing bold-foliaged plants like fiddleleaf fig and dieffenachias in connection with modern interiors.

Reading our "Man Behind the Hoe's" discussion of a cellar-heated rame, we wonder how many home gardeners have taken the U. S. Department of Agriculture's suggestions on starting plants from seed or uttings in the home basement or storage room under fluorescent lamps. With the technique that Doctors V. T. Stoutemyer and Albert W. Close of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Beltsville, Maryland, have worked ut, you can grow new plants successfully without any daylight and on n open bench or table, if the temperature range justifies this. A pecially built plant case is more satisfactory and is essential in a ood many locations. If you consider trying this method, write to Beltsille, Maryland, for the four-page leaflet with sketches on "Plant Propaation Under Fluorescent Lamps."

Plant explorers and botanists still have a little work ahead of them, e learned from Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, veteran in the field, who spoke the American Horticultural Council in Cleveland in the fall. Of the illion plants known, there are at least twice as many unrecorded to nte.

Dr. Bailey wonders whether, in this age of specialization, we will ave any more naturalists—those people who, according to his definition, see things in the large . . . travel far . . . have sympathy with plants, nimals, and people . . . and wish to learn why they're here and what eir destiny."

Personally, we feel that every home gardener is a naturalist at heart. t least every one of us enjoys observing gardens and comparing exriences and attending talks on plants in corners of the world that e may never reach.

The Fairchild Tropical Garden, Cocoanut Grove, Florida, has brought its members the opportunity of studying the "destiny" of some rare reign plants in this country. It offers to members samples of plant portations for trial in their own gardens and later calls for reports, hich add to the scant knowledge about the usefulness of these new ants in this country. One of the Garden's recent bulletins quotes r. Fairchild as wanting "news of Palm No. 331, Fairchild Tropical arden Expedition, distributed 1942. It was a rare species from the land of Amboina, collected just before the German's invasion of

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We gardeners should have our "Bailey's Cyclopedia" at our elbow, just as everyone should have his dictionary. But how many of us are conscientious enough to read up on every plant that is new to us?

In looking through some of our 1946 plant notebooks, we just came across this entry, made at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden on June 25. "Asphodeline—tall, luxuriant perennial with spikes of yellow flowers. Look up!" This is what our belated research discloses about this "new-to-us" plant:

Bailey: "The only species (of some 145) advertised in America is Asphodeline lutea. . . *(It is) the true Asphodel or king's spear of the ancients. Height 2′ to 4′; roots thick, fleshy, stoloniferous; leaves 3" to 12" long; . . racemes 6" to 18" long, 3" wide. . . The culture of* Asphodeline lutea *is simple. Any soil will suit. Partial shade is allowable, but flowers are often better in the sun." From an old catalog of Wayside Gardens, Mentor, Ohio, we learn that it (here listed as* Asphodelus luteus *or* Asphodel*) is a "strong-growing perennial reminding one of the eremurus or foxtail lily. . . . In fact, in Europe it is the poor man's eremurus. . . Does well in front of shrubbery, in the border or wild garden." We'll try some Asphodeline in our garden this year.*

TWO WATERING POTS

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The clean lines of certain modern furniture fulfills these requirements and, therefore, it sometimes blends well with such ancient pieces as are also simple.

Designers are constantly and



hopefully turning out really good household and gardening implements. A prospective purchaser can do her part by studying such designs and asking for them, instead of accepting the ordinary run-of-the-mill stuff.

To return to the watering pots, no matter if the one in the garage were painted gaily, whimsically, or stylishly, it would always be awkward and ugly. The old pewter one will always be easy to handle and lovely to see. No doubt there are new watering pots coming on the market which incorporate these features, and if they find a sufficient number of buyers they will cost no more than the ordinary ones. But if nobody bothers to appreciate them, both designers and manufacturers will come to the conclusion that it is not worthwhile to create and offer these more charming and serviceable models.

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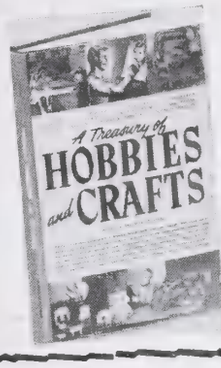
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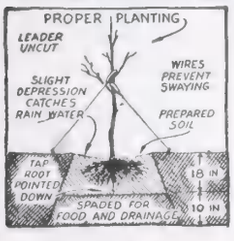
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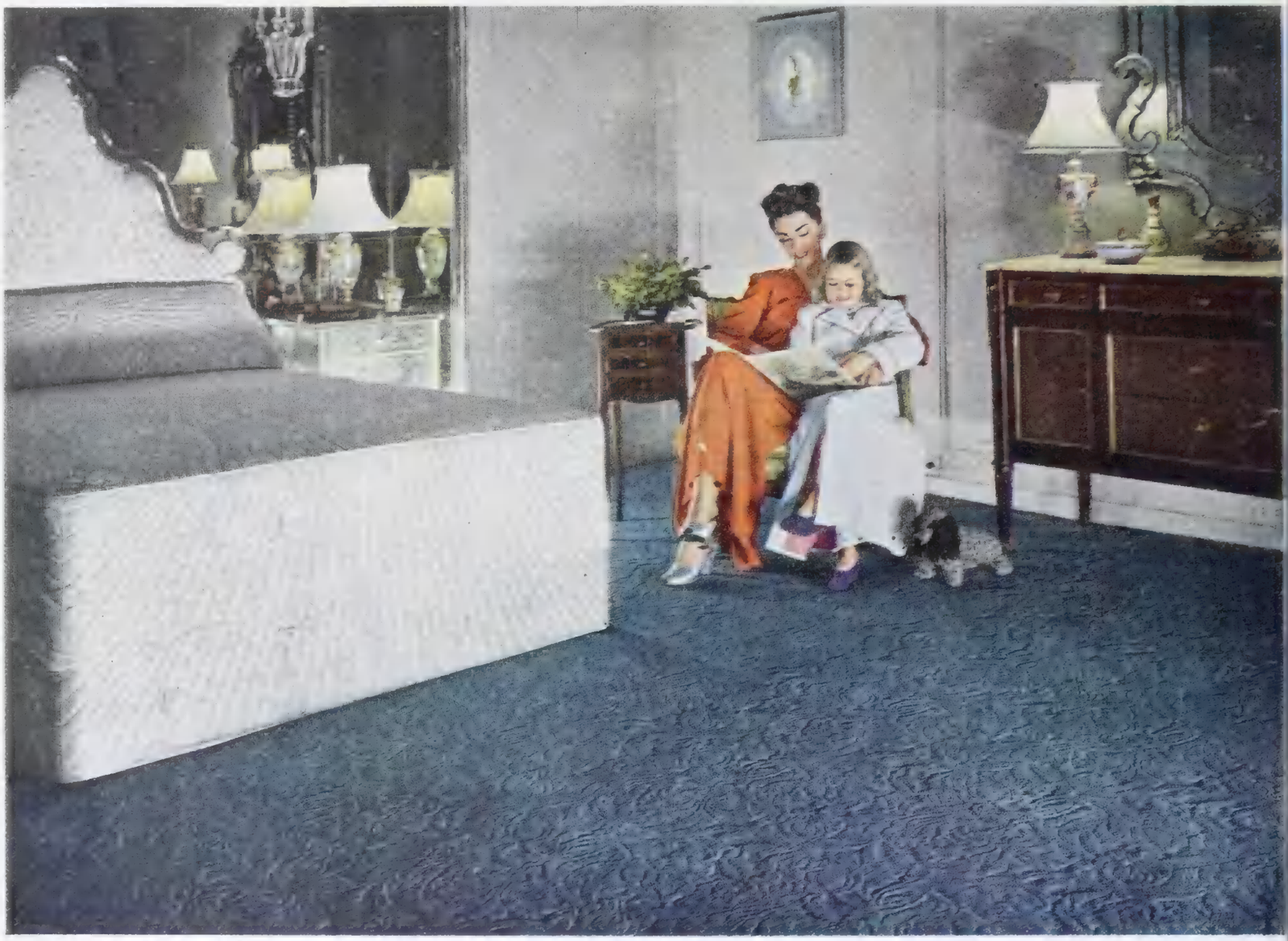
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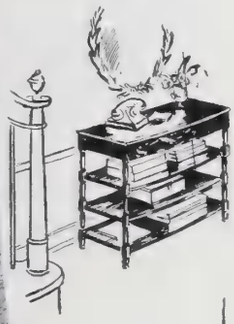
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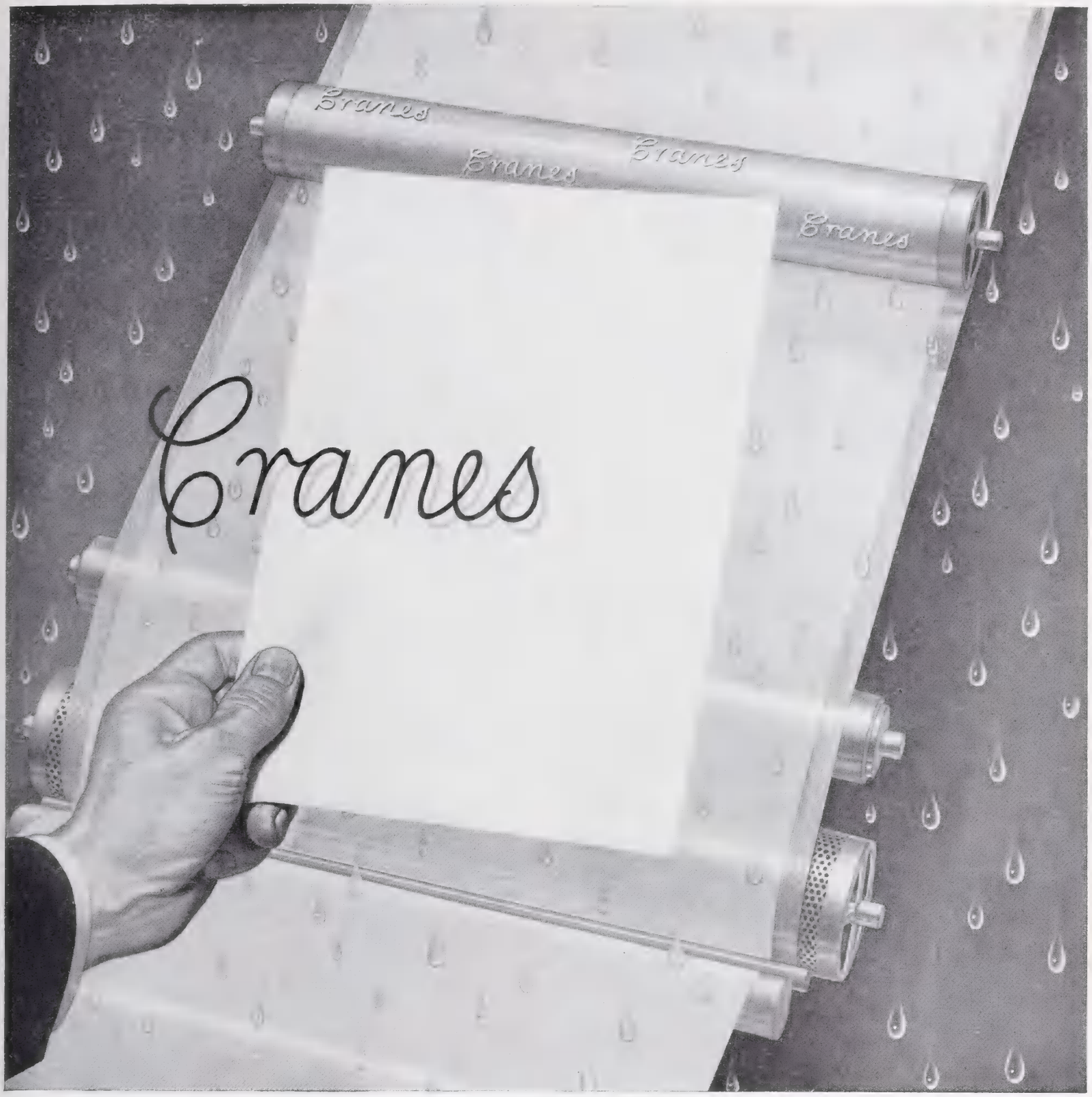
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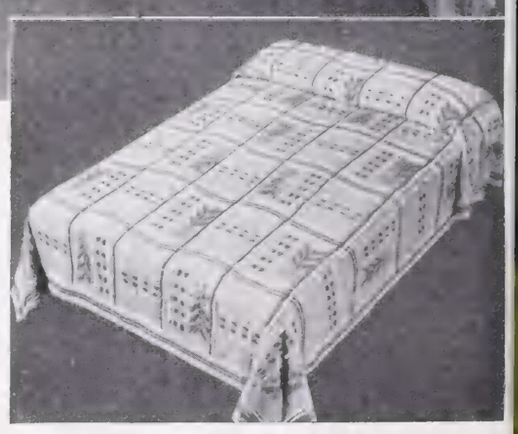


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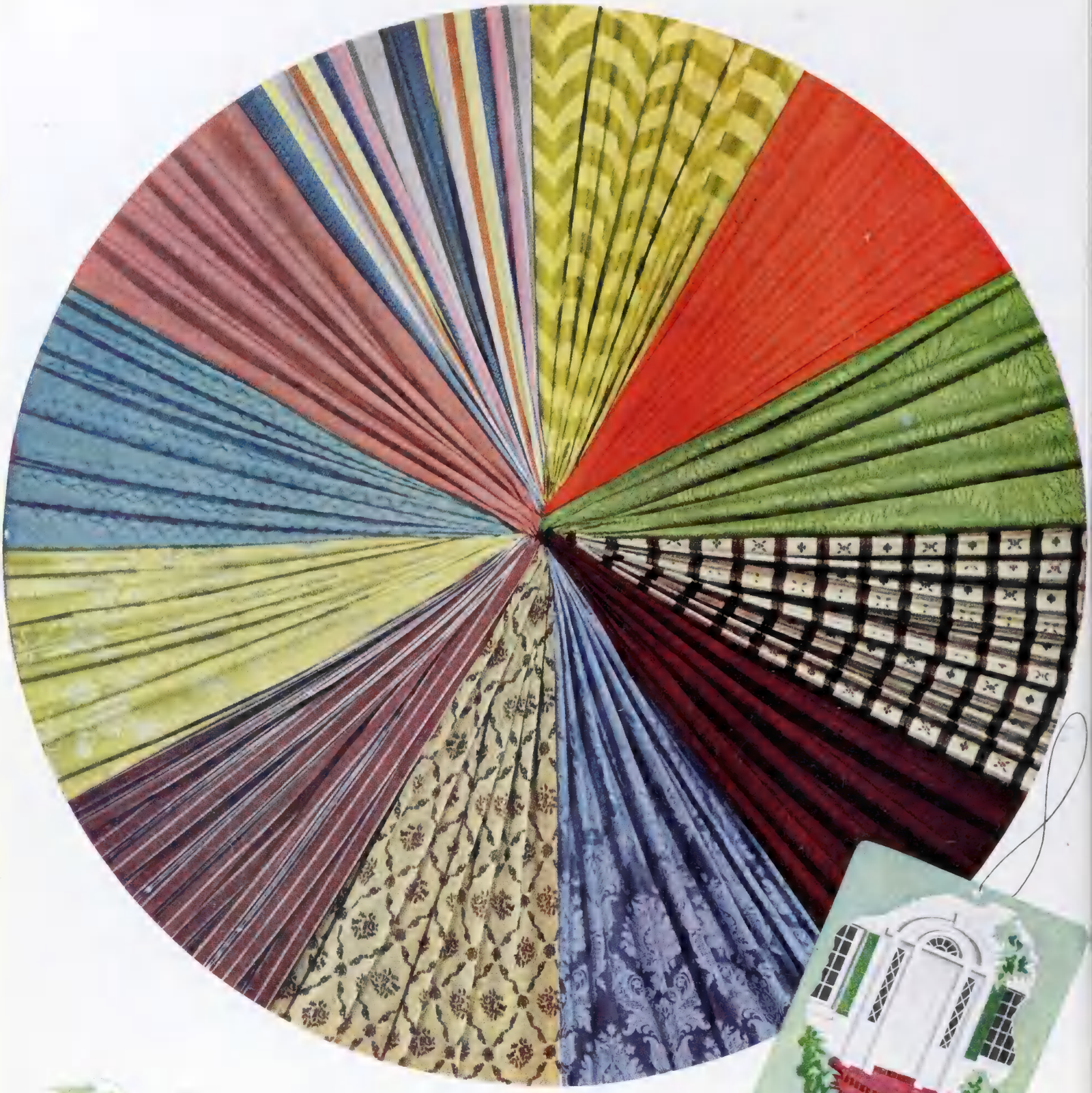


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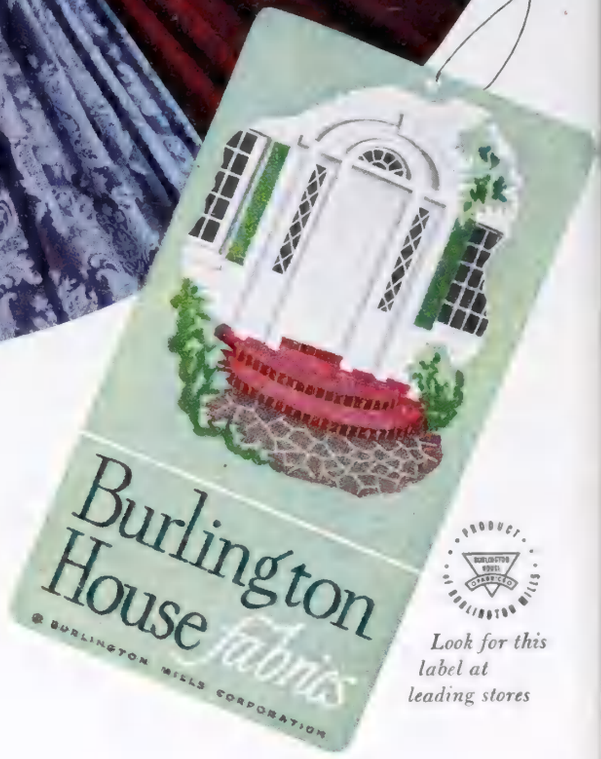
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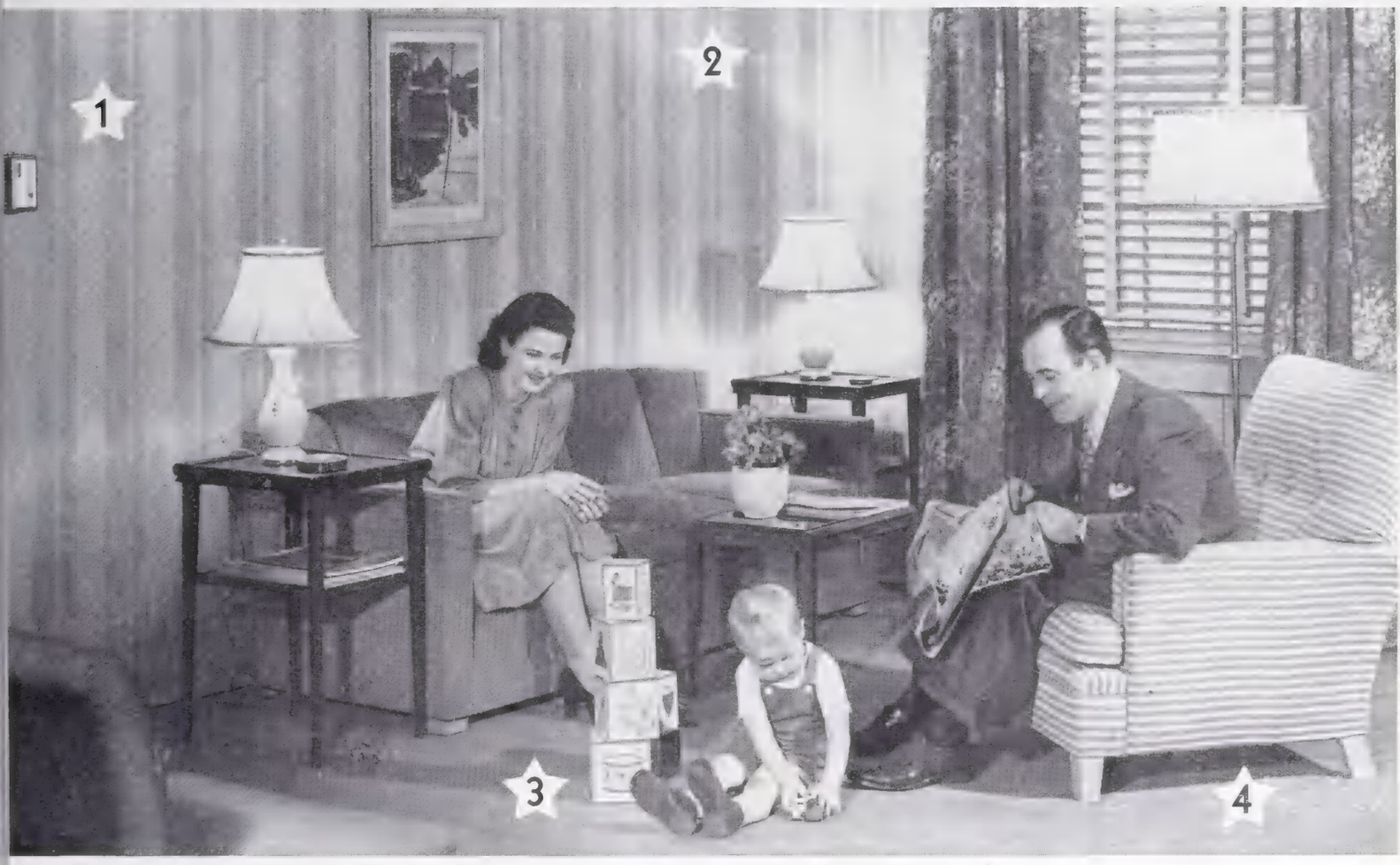
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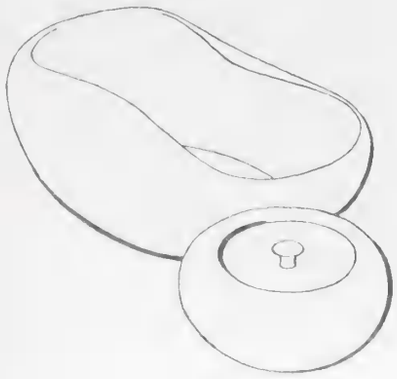
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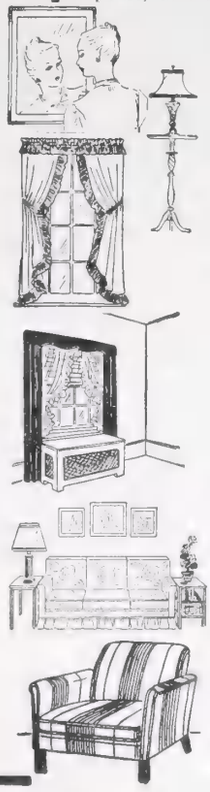
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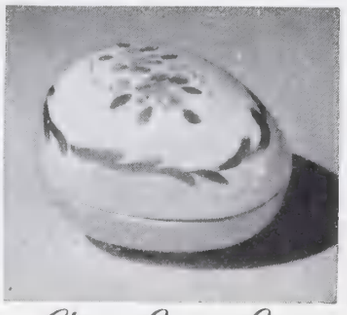


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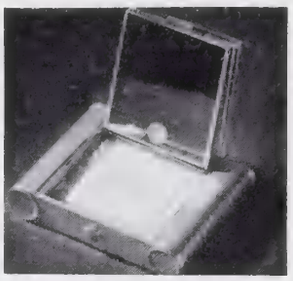
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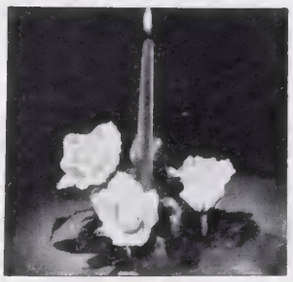
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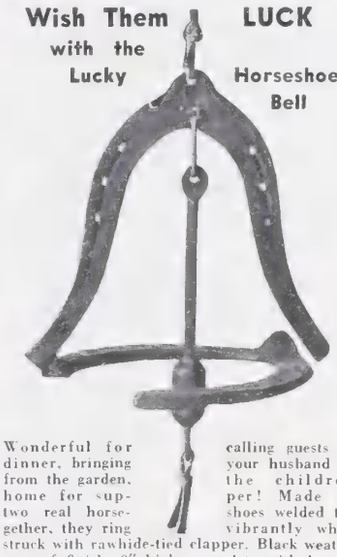
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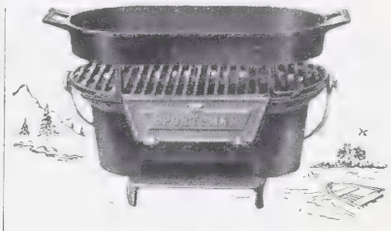


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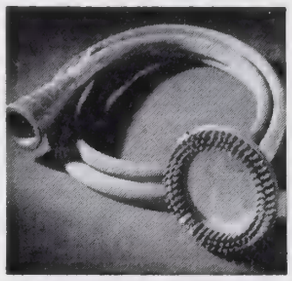
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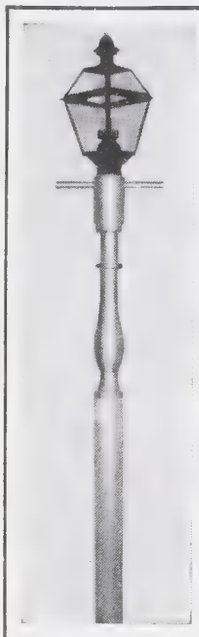
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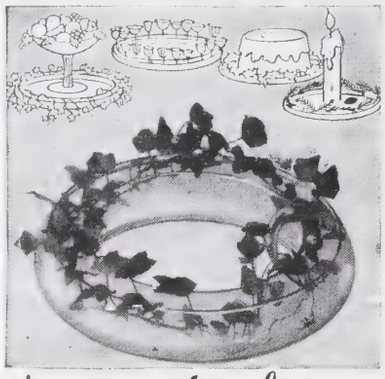
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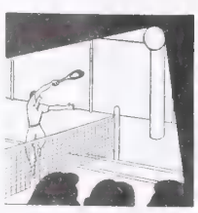
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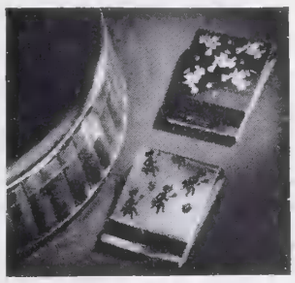
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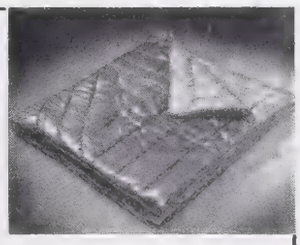
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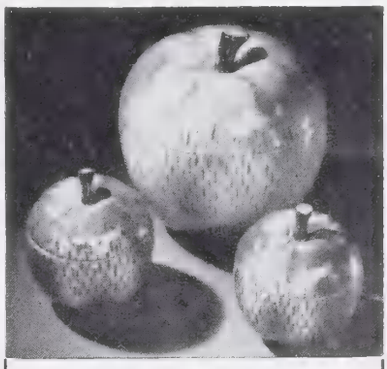
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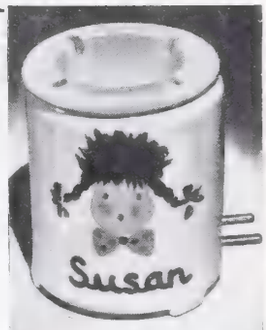
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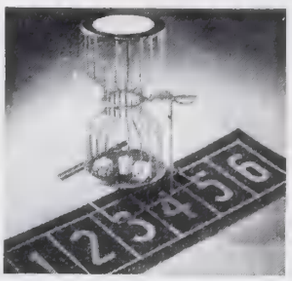
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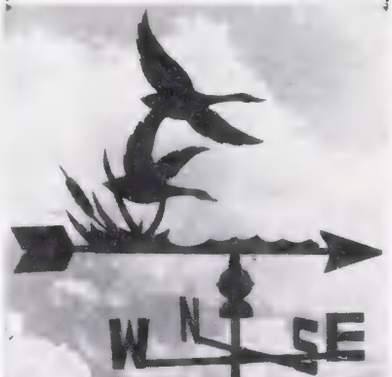
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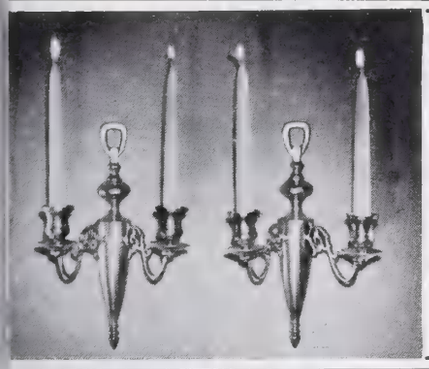


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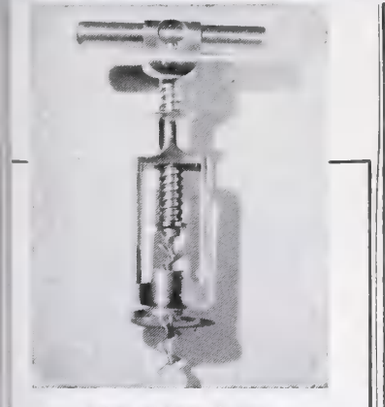
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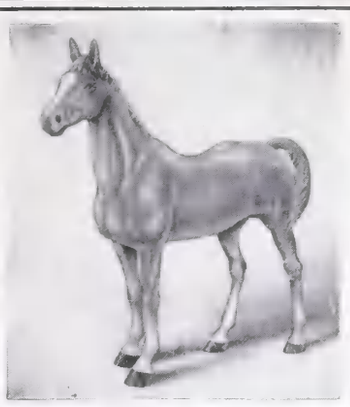
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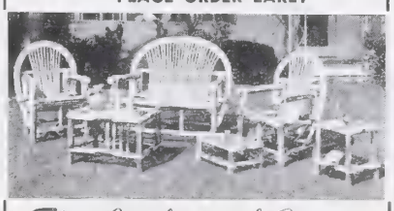
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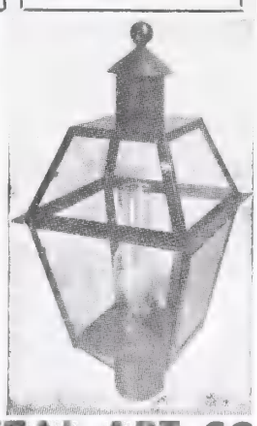
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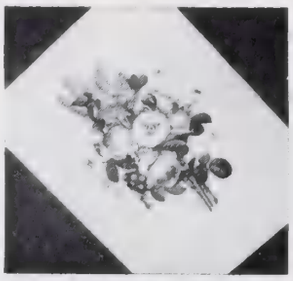
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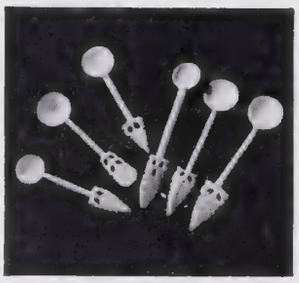
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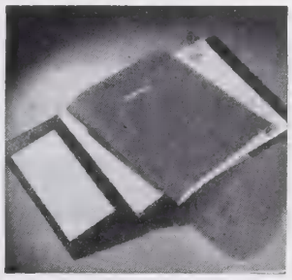
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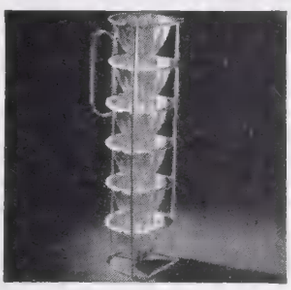
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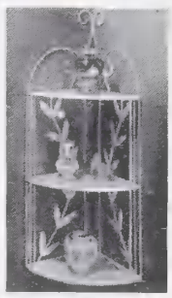
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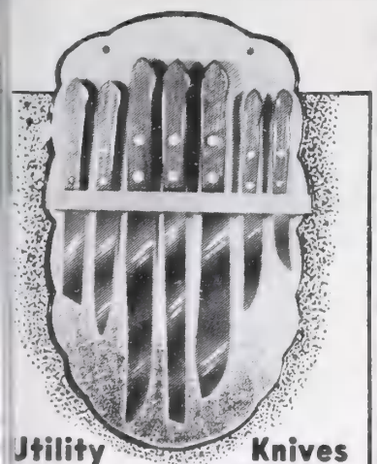
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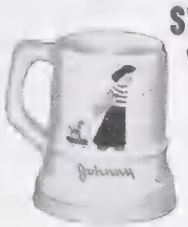
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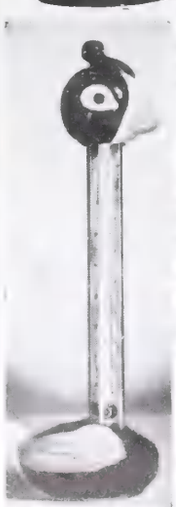


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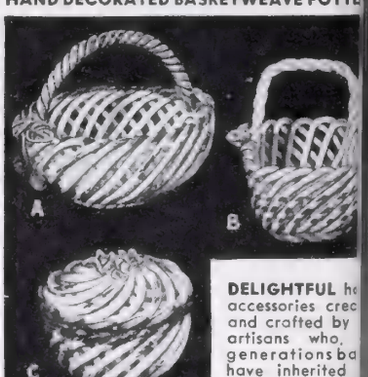
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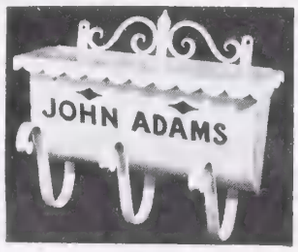


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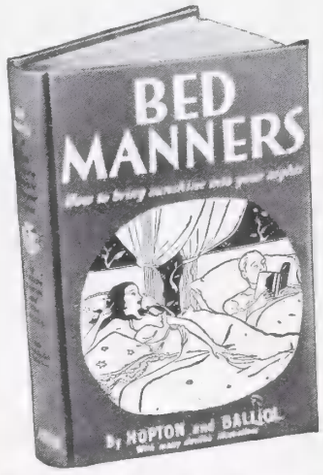
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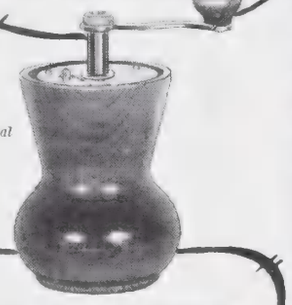
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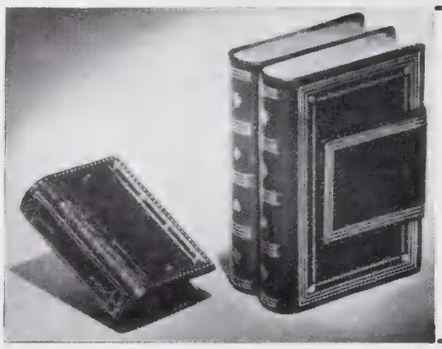
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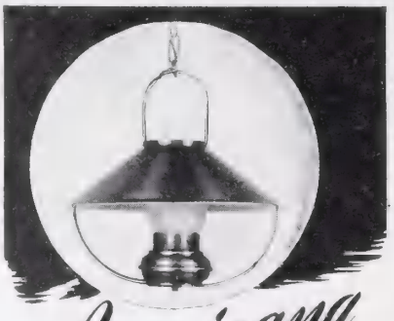
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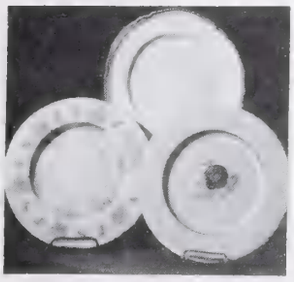
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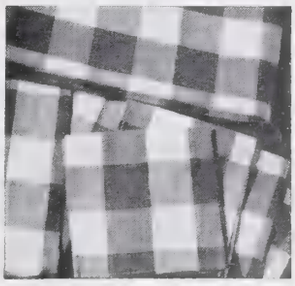
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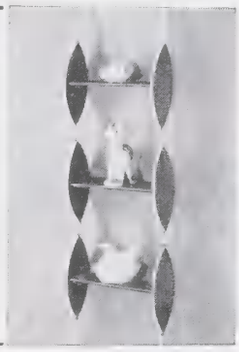
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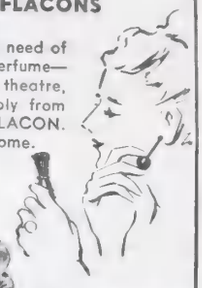
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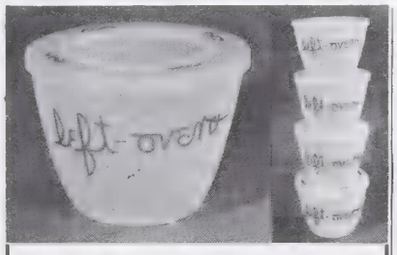
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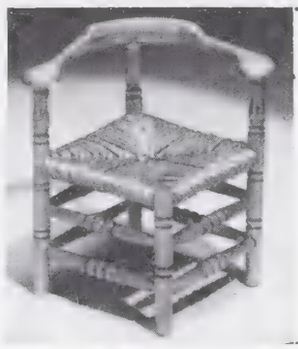
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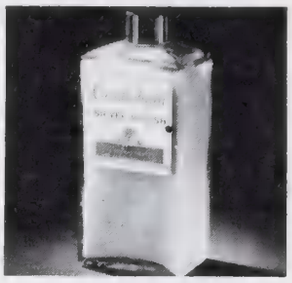
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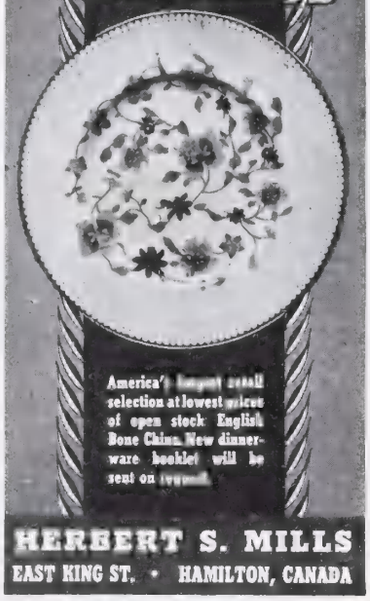
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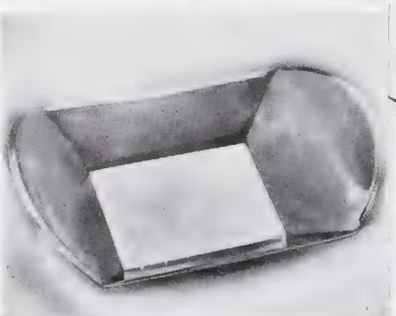
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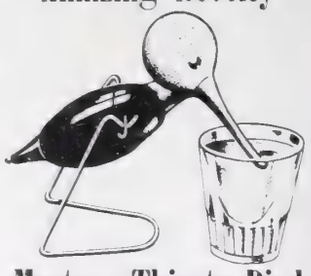
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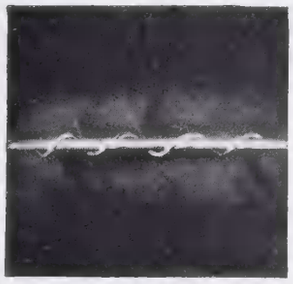
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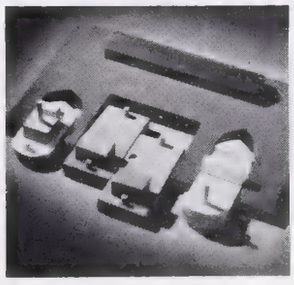
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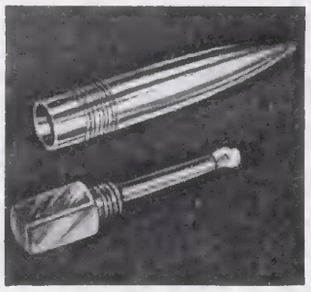


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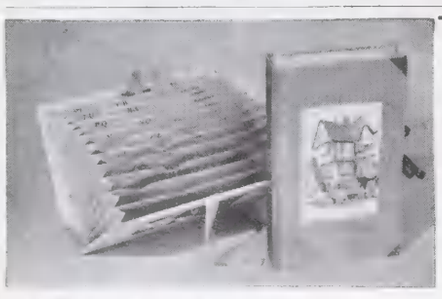


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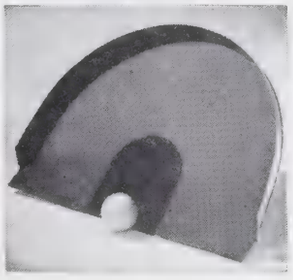
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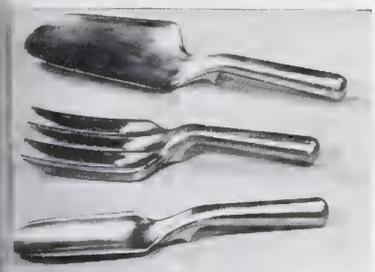
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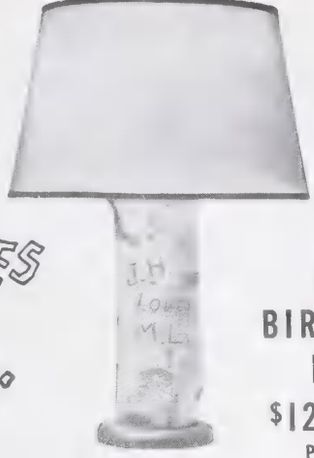
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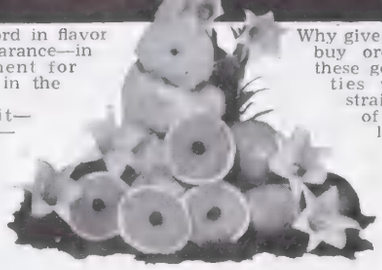
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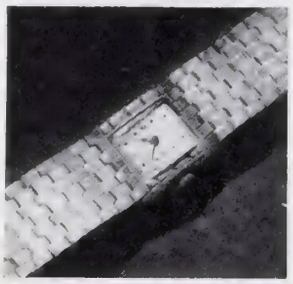
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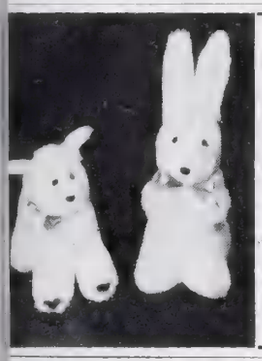


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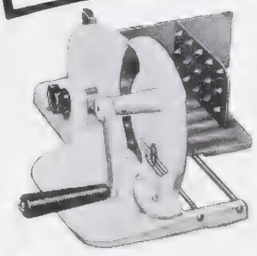
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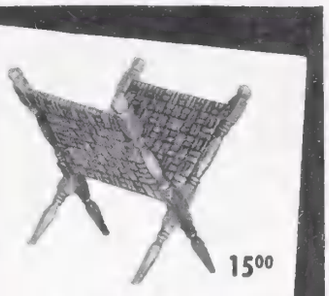
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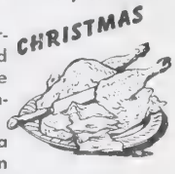


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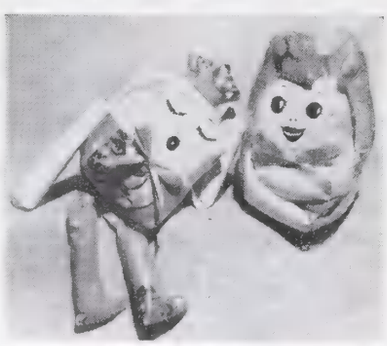
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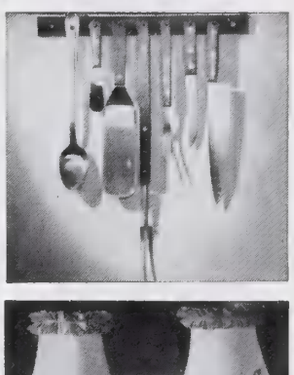
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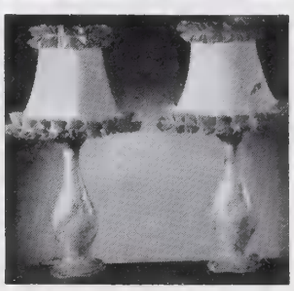
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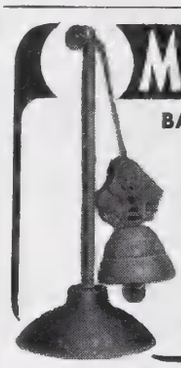
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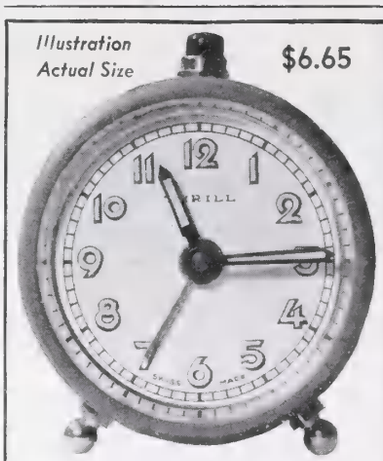
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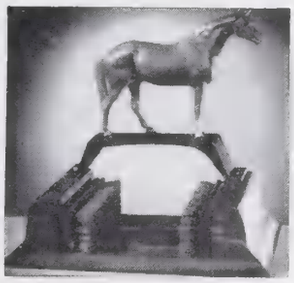
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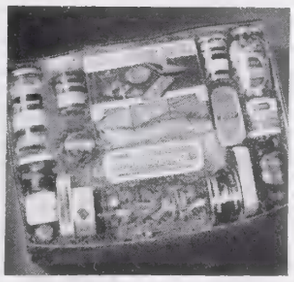
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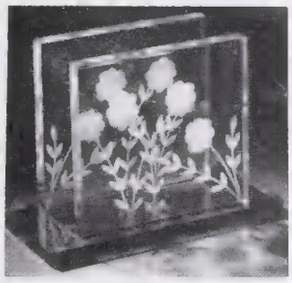
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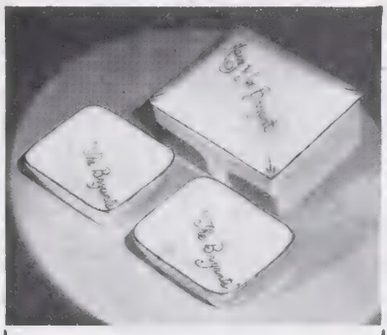
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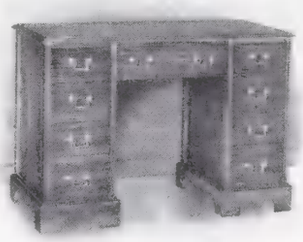
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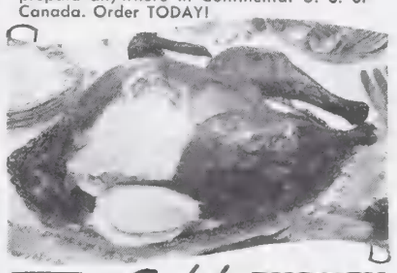
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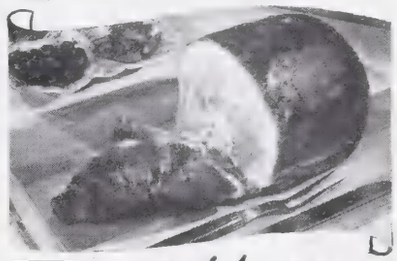


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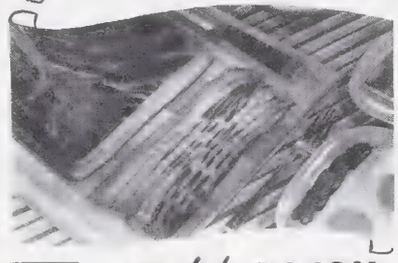


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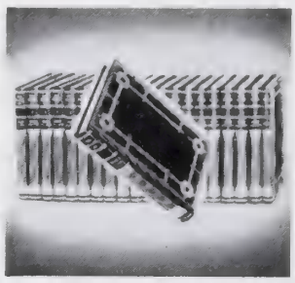
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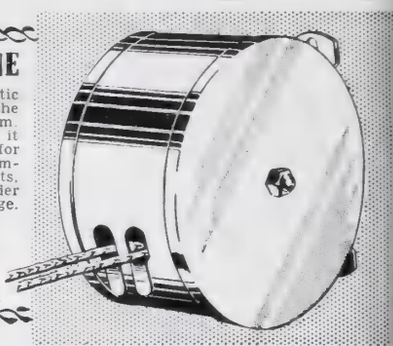
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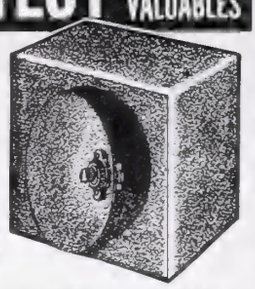
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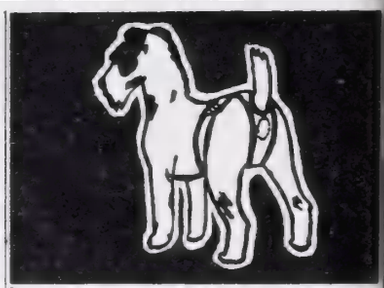
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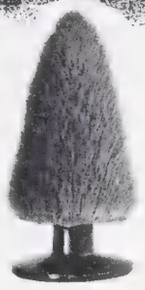
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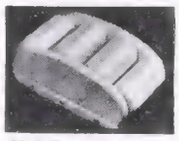


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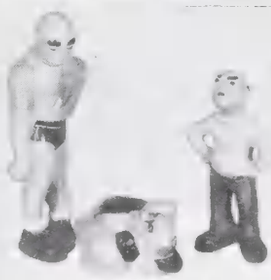
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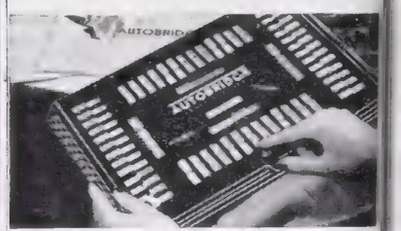
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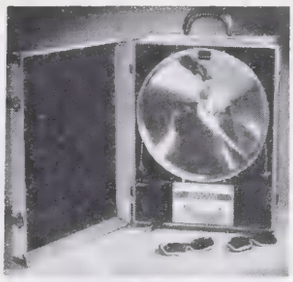
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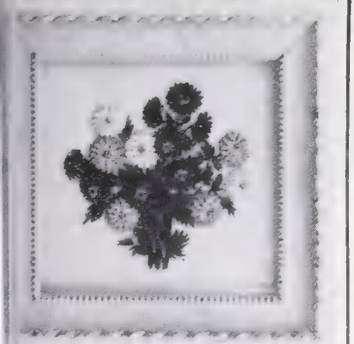
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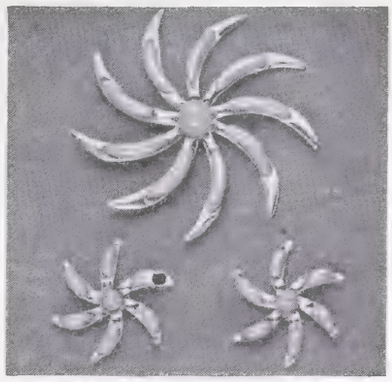
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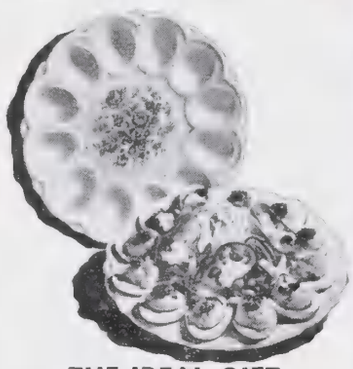
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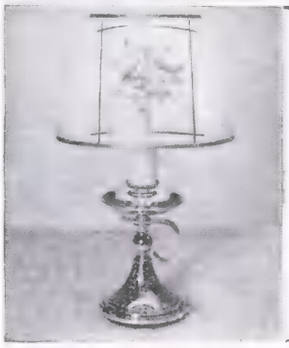
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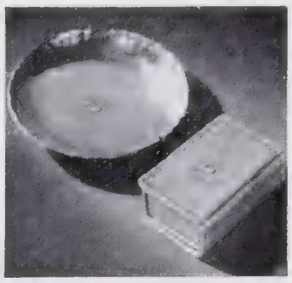
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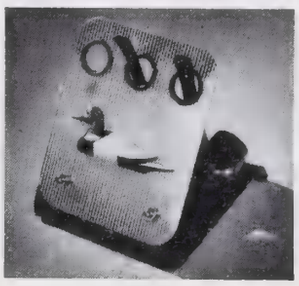
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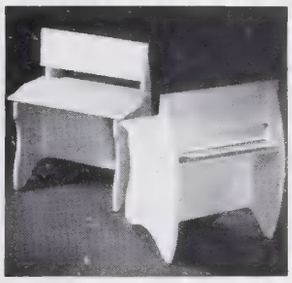
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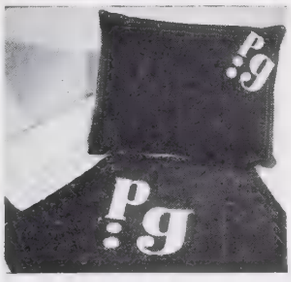
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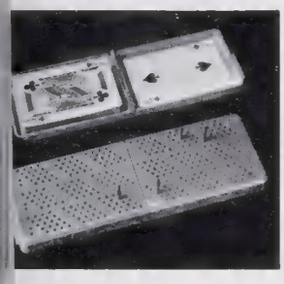
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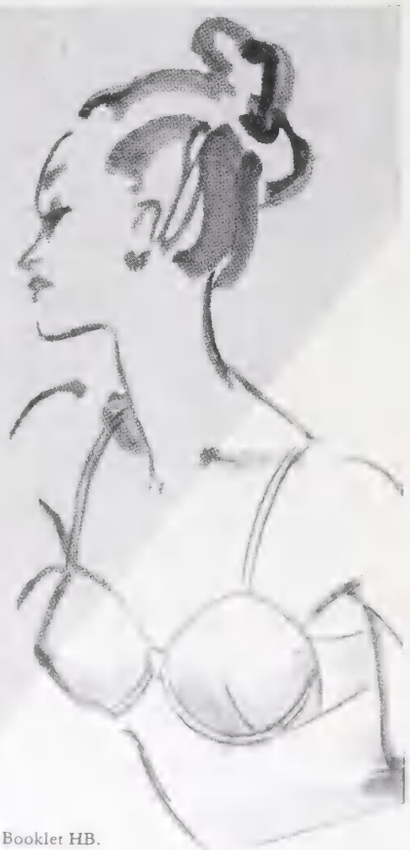
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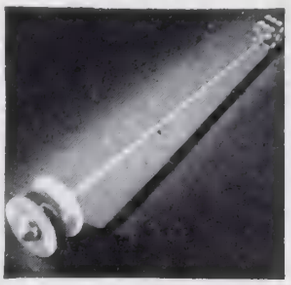
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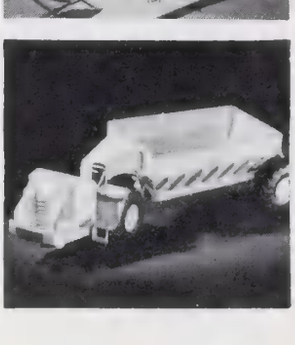
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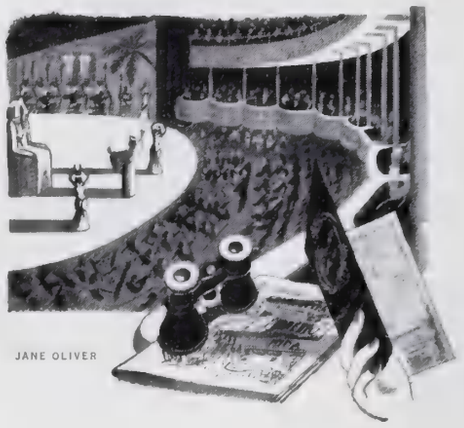
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JANE OLIVER

Are You Suspicious OF THE OPERA?

By Richard Williams

I have the utmost respect for Lord Chesterfield's lacy style and his racy wisdom. I enjoy reading his letters to his son. Nevertheless, I think he was a fuddyduddy. I am prejudiced against him because he did not like my favorite form of entertainment: "As for operas," he wrote, "they are essentially too absurd and extravagant to mention. I look upon them as a magic scene contrived to please the eyes and the ears at the expense of the understanding."

Lord Chesterfield wrote this nearly 200 years ago, but there are still a few people around who agree with him. I don't. Operatic music has not only given me many hours of intense enjoyment, but opera has actually taught me a lot. Indeed, if I understand rightly that Lord Chesterfield means by "the understanding" wisdom and sensitivity and tolerance, I would say that so much true emotion is contained in operatic music, and that this music holds so much compassion and pity as well as joy and exhilaration, that opera increases one's understanding and adds to one's wisdom.

It is strange, there are certain people who dislike opera for no better reason than that they don't know it. They know not it but it parody. It is as easy to parod opera as it is easy to make fun o Natasha, the ubiquitous old nurs in the Russian novel. Opera is suc an easy target for two reasons First, because it is a sublime art and, as we all know, the step i short from the sublime to the ridic ulous. Second, because opera ofte does drag with it a whole caravan of outmoded conventions, pompou trappings, and cumbersome acting Those to whom nature has give beautiful voices are not necessaril good actors. On the other hand it is untrue to say that all oper singers are hams. And when the are bad actors they are very ba actors. Exaggerated acting, heroi struttings, mouthy mannerisms– certainly they are easy to caric ture. That is why we have alway had with us humorous skits abou opera. In the old vaudeville day there was the skit about the sext from *Lucia*. Then along came Di ney with one of his funniest short Clara the Hen clucking in th quartet from *Rigoletto*. Even toda Fred Allen can get a very funn few minutes out of presentin grand opera in his own way.

If you ask me: "Why should

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How To Leave Home *and* LIKE IT

by Harry James Price

WHERE TO GO

Better look toward the sunny South this year if you're bent on that annual quest for rest and relaxation.

Unless you're rugged and like roughing it, or business compels the trip, Europe generally and the Mediterranean are not travel *musts* just now. France, Switzerland, and Holland are preening and primping in the hope of luring some tourist trade this year, but the question of getting over there is the big problem.

Domestic travel, of course, all things being equal and undisturbed in the industrial and labor fields, is expected to shatter all records—afoot, awheel, aloft, and afloat—for something like 32,000,000 Americans will be shoving off on paid vacations, and expecting to spend money.

Did someone say, "*Plan Early, Book Early, and Travel Light*"?

However, next to Canada, if you insist that crossing our northern border is "going foreign," Latin America—including Nassau, Bermuda, and the Caribbean—is far in the lead to garner more tourist dollars this year than any of the other known travel areas outside our own country.

Furthermore, Washington will grant you a passport for the asking. Steamship lines can talk about their "fleets" without blushing. Airlines are wagging their tails with glee—and if that isn't enough, food is plentiful and hotels in good condition—but *crowded*.

WHAT'S THE EUROPEAN TRAVEL PICTURE?

On the brighter side of the European picture, however, is the fact that by mid-year more express liners will be in service. Cunard's "Queen Elizabeth" will be joined by a refurbished "Mauretania" this month, and by the famous "Queen Mary" by next June. It is possible that the old "Britannic" will be back with the "Queen Mary." In the offing are the "Media," launched last December, a 30,000-tonner, the "Caronia" and a sister ship, the "Parthia."

A fleet of this kind will be needed to break the backlog of tourists scheduled for European ports. Nearly 32,000 have their names on waiting lists.

Swedish-America Line's two vessels are sold out through May. The Holland American Line has a waiting list of about 2,500; and the American Export Lines (Mediterranean) 3,700—and this, mind you, for vessels about which the company honestly states, "There's no room service; you might have to pack in with 8, or 12, or 16 other passengers."

Upward of 3,000 reservations have been made on vessels plying Central and South American and Caribbean ports, and Bermuda. Alcoa Steamship Line has bookings for 1,000 on its present flagship "George Washington."

Furness-Bermuda Line reports its two vessels sold out through April; but here again there are pleasant prospects ahead. It is expected that by June, or shortly thereafter, the two famous Bermuda packets, "Monarch of Bermuda" and "Queen of Bermuda" will again be plying the waters hereabouts.

NEW COMFORTS ABOARD SOUTHBOUND LINERS

So much for the shipping picture, except to note that travel in southern climes will be considerably more enjoyable now that air-conditioning is the vogue. This applies no less to the three new Alcoa ships expected to be in service in the Bermuda-and-South run this year, the public rooms of which were designed by Lurelle Guild. Staterooms by night become living rooms by day; upper berths being Pullman type and folding up. Each stateroom, too, has its own private bath.

Cruises as such will be in vogue again ere long. This month the United Fruit Company anticipates six of its renowned name boats—"Antigua," "Jamaica," "Quirigua," "Veragua," "Talamanca," and "Chiriqui"—as the backbone of its Great White Fleet; three of the vessels operating out of New Orleans and three out of New York. To make sure of itinerary and rates, check your local travel agent.

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

Airwise, of course, things are humming—and that's no joke. The flags of 35 nations now flutter through the

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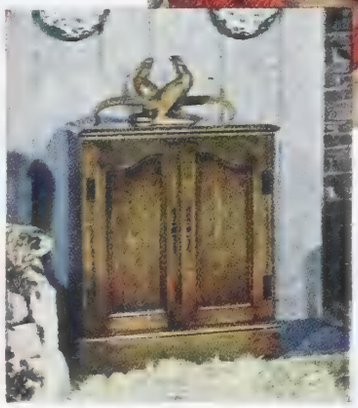
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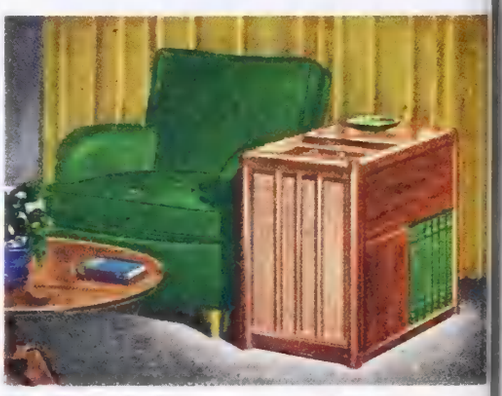
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What's Wrong with This Room?

Something is wrong in this room. And it is not a decorator's faux pas. It is a symptom of a cultural failure so common that you could probably find its equivalent in nine out of ten homes. The jarring note is, of course, the "art" that hangs on the wall. Here it is a vapid, trivial, mass-production chromo, bearing no relation in quality or spirit to the distinguished chest of drawers and the heirloom chairs with which it is thrown into company. It is like a ketchup bottle on a lace table cloth. And it typifies what results when people lack a standard by which to judge good art from bad. The next thirteen pages are devoted to helping you find such a standard. They will not turn you into an art critic overnight. But they will, we hope, impel you to take stock of your own approach to art and perhaps take a more discerning view of the pictures that already hang on the walls of the rooms in which you live.

Your Pictures Reveal More than your Furnishings

by Irene Moore Lindsey

Whether you like it or not, the tangible furnishings you live with lay bare that moving cavalcade of past experience and present aspirations that makes you and your taste what they are as of today. They represent your sense of tangible property. And that is no small slug of revelation.

But the art you live with tells even more about you than that. The pictures on your walls indicate the depth of your capacity for understanding the *intangibles*. For art is not merely pretty pictures. Art is, to put it in as un-arty a nutshell as we can, the artist's expression of an emotion which you can experience, too—if you are sensitive enough to see in the picture what the artist was driving at when he painted it.

A taste for the best in furniture, fabrics, china, and silver does not assure you of sound judgment in choosing a picture. Poor art is as common in well-furnished homes as it is in poorly furnished, because most people, even those of mature general taste, are so confused by the phony, awesome-sounding patter that is circulated about art, and by the shibboleths and snobbisms that seem to surround it, that they have never discovered what art is really all about.

If the art in your home simply amuses the eye but conveys no meaningful message, you are depriving yourself, for lack of understanding, of the spiritual richness that good art can contribute to your life. You are doing yourself an injustice, because your pictures imply a shallowness in you which in all probability doesn't exist. If you knew what to look for and how to choose, the art in your home would tell a different story. And learning what to look for is a matter of deliberate development. Call it self-improvement, if you will. You can understand it because art can belong to anyone who makes the effort.

Read on. The following pages are designed to help you discover, if you are not sure, what good art is supposed to be.

BETTER YOUR HOME · BETTER YOUR LIVING ·

PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



● In the home of Edward G. Robinson, his fine collection of paintings is not permitted to be "roped off." It is part of daily life. Samuel A. Marx, Noel L. Flint, Charles W. Shonne, architects

● Everyone may not have *famous* art in the dining-room, but anyone may own *good* art. Selection is not so much a question of pocketbook as of knowing what to look for. Frances A. Elkins, decorator



PHOTOGRAPH BY BROWN BROS.



● Actually and psychologically, art was roped off from those who could not afford to "invest" in it when William Astor appended this art gallery to his New York residence. Even though Mr. Astor owned his collection, the stilted, museum-style hanging of the pictures and their unlivable surroundings indicate how rarified and apart from real life art was considered

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● The modern attitude toward art, developing as more people come to understand it, brings it into everyday life where it belongs. The Edward G. Robinsons undoubtedly have a friendlier relationship with the Renoir over their fireplace (opposite) than Mr. Astor had with his gallery treasures

By Aline B. Louchheim
Managing Editor, *Art News*

Art is Not Exclusive

Do you believe that good art is too "long hair" or too costly to have a place in your life? Times have changed. Today art can belong to anyone who wants it

It makes little sense that a person who prides himself on recognizing and appreciating the beauty of a Chippendale chair will hang above a mantelpiece a flower still-life which has neither the honest loveliness of the flowers themselves nor the transfigured vision of a work of art. Or that the cultivated person who shudders at a false note in music will accept with equanimity a painting in which the tones are jarring misfits. Nor does there seem any logic in a decorating budget which allows a piece of Georgian silver or a Natzler ceramic bowl but allots at best a pitifully meager sum for a painting. Yet in thousands of American homes this is exactly the case.

I do not believe that indifference is the cause of this curious paradox, but rather that its explanation lies in fear. For several decades most Americans have felt "art" was something awesome. It belonged, they believed, to the big-time collectors whose purchases in astronomical amounts were making the news: J. P. Morgan, Henry Clay Frick, Peter Widener. Only the very rich could afford "old masters," and if it wasn't an "old master" it wasn't art.

Buying was sporadic even for those who could afford good painting. Much of the cultivated public, which despised the sentimentalities of the Victorian era and the fuzzy Barbizon landscapes in their parents' rooms, were not yet ready to embrace (*Continued on page* 146)

PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD L. PARKER



● In the play room the Robinsons enjoy fine art with their games. Art is no more hallowed than life itself, the very subject it aims to interpret. You attain deeper understanding of a picture by constant, casual exposure to it than by occasional, solemn museum-gazing



● High price is not the criterion by which to judge a picture. You will find, as you sharpen your own powers of appreciation and shop around before you buy, that the works of "unknowns," reasonably priced, can be eminently good. Some day they may be acclaimed

by Marion Gough

How to Develop an Appreciation of Art

This is the kind of discussion that can throw people into dithers of irritation. Few of us enjoy being told what we don't know about anything, and when it comes to a subject about which we have definite feelings of inferiority, we can wax downright belligerent. And most people have an inferiority complex about art. So much authoritative-sounding baloney has been prated about it, so many poseurs have embraced it as a cult and smothered it with snobbish affectations, that it is no wonder the general public regards it as a long-hair subject that they can never hope to understand.

Any human being can learn to understand art, but because most people don't think they can, they have set their own standards—fumbling ones and usually bad, as evidenced in the daubs they choose to hang on their walls. Their confusion is summed up in the aged comeback, "I don't know much about art, but I know what I like."

Well, what's wrong in knowing what you like? Nothing —except that it makes little sense unless you know *why* you like it. And that's where art appreciation begins. Most people don't know why they like a picture because they don't know what they should be looking for. Generally people tend to like pictures that tell a story or that

PHOTOGRAPHS ON THESE FIVE PAGES BY EMELIE DANIELSON NICHOLSON





● Paintings in the Chicago apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh B. Block were not chosen to decorate the rooms. The decoration was planned about the art. Each painting is hung to best effect. Lower left, Matisse's "Plaster Torso" above loveseat, a Monet over sofa

● Henri Rousseau's "Exotic Landscape," above the living room fireplace, was painted in 1910, debunks the theory that paintings must hang only in rooms of their own period. Rooms designed and decorated by Samuel A. Marx, Noel L. Flint, Charles W. Schonne, architects

remind them of pleasant experiences in their own lives. But actually this is not understanding or appreciating art for itself at all. It is enjoying not the picture, but what the picture suggests—the interesting story or the pleasant association it recalls. You can get this sort of entertainment from a novel or from a bunch of old snapshots.

So, before you can appreciate art you must understand what art is. Otherwise you look but you don't see. It's like watching a football game without knowing the rules, or looking at an automobile motor when you know nothing about mechanics.

A point that seems to escape most of us is that art is a two-way proposition. The artist's work is not merely the filling in of a canvas with an eye-pleasing arrangement of objects and colors. Nor is the part of the observer simply the passive role of having his optic nerves stimulated by pretty colors and shapes. Art is the artist's statement of an emotion which he feels best able to express in paints or stone or whatever his chosen medium. (And the word emotion here does not necessarily mean a tumultuous emotional crisis. It means the artist's feeling, his sensitive reaction to whatever aspect of life he is depicting.) The purpose of art is fulfilled when you, the observer, are able to see the meaning in the artist's work, to capture and re-live the emotion he experienced when he painted.

In a picture of a child, the artist may be commenting on the joy, tragedy, helplessness, innocence, or just the plain common ordinary brattishness of childhood—whichever he feels. The power or universality of the message, and the skill with which he makes it understandable, determine the greatness of his work. But in any case before you can honestly say you like or dislike it, you must have searched for the meaning in the picture.

To appreciate art—and this comes as surprise to all tyros at the game—you must work at it. You must be alert when you look at a picture, making a deliberate effort to sense the intangibles behind the obvious subject matter. You must approach every picture positively, looking for the good in it, whether it "appeals" to you at first glance or not. You will find, as many before you have, that you can come to love the things you once rejected. But with every *(Continued on following page)*



● Cezanne's portrait of Vollier, his gardener, hangs in the Blocks' living room (left). This casual placement of great art, which would have seemed disrespectful years ago when art was frozen in museums or hoarded in warehouses, gives its owners the opportunity to enjoy it intimately

● The Leigh Blocks have Renoir's "Petite Fille en Rose" in their living room (right). People who own good art find it gives their furnishings something to live up to. Furniture, except antiques, designed by the architects, made by William J. Quigley, Inc. Fabrics by Dorothy Liebes



How to Develop an Appreciation of Art

(*Continued from preceding page*) sincere attempt to put yourself in the artist's place, you develop your own sensitivities, and come one step closer to a mature understanding of all art. Just as experience sharpens your discernment so that you can sense the difference between Waterford crystal and dime-store glassware, so does constant effort heighten your sense of good versus bad art.

The best way to develop your appreciation of art is by exposure to the best in art. Visit the art museums and prowl the galleries if there are any near you. If there are not, make a visit to a famous museum a vacation project. Study the reproductions of great works which are available in countless books and magazines. Familiarize yourself with the old masters and with the history of art, for art like everything else is evolutionary, and much that is new stems from the old.

For a while you may have to take someone else's word for what is good and what bad. But don't be gullible about it. Read what the critics have to say and listen to the people who have had more experience than you, but take their dicta with reservations. Go and see for yourself so that you may test your judgment against theirs. You may eventually learn to agree with them, but then again you may not. For, as in horse racing, there are differences of opinion in art, and perfectly valid ones, so long as the judgment is the honest result of serious study.

Keep your eyebrows raised but your mind open at "society" art vogues which laud Picasso one season and Van Gogh the next. Great art is never "the thing" for a winter. It is as timeless as (*Continued on page* 144)





Block library is furnished around a Van Gogh and a Soutine. Dufy's "Les Beigneurs" dominates the dining room.

A Man's Room to Display Paintings

Mr. Hollis Baker created this living room to house his new collection of contemporary English paintings



This seasoned collector hangs pictures without fanfare.

Here enjoyment of fine art is no pose. It's as casual a part of living as conversation, good books or backgammon.





Another view of the living room (see preceding page) designed for display of paintings. All furniture is low to give maximum unbroken wall space

Why Six Celebrated Collectors Own Fine Art

Billy Rose

"The boys who are supposed to know tell me pictures are a good investment. I'm not impressed. I buy paintings for the simple reason that I'd rather come home and hang out with Rembrandt and Hals than with some of the boys at Sardi's. I have Rembrandt in the living room, Renoir in the bedroom, George Gros in my study, Tom Benton in the playroom. Where could you find finer house guests?"

Charles Jackson

"I buy paintings for a triple reason: because of the way they make me feel, because they're a good investment and, I suppose, because they're a symbol of success. I'm a Sunday painter myself, but I'm terribly derivative. If I knew less about art, I'd probably paint better.

"I like Austin, Bombois, Vivin, Dufy—pictures that don't demand too much of you. I figure that home is a place to relax in. I don't understand people who insist on papering their walls with social significance."

Jean Hersholt

"I don't buy Canvases, Fine Art, Big Names, or Promising Young Artists. I am an art collector without capitals. All I ask of a picture is that it say something to me personally. California landscapes, for example, or street scenes of Denmark, my former home. In short, I buy for sentiment rather than investment. Who wants to frame dollar bills?"

Hildegarde

"I hear singing in a good picture; I hear a chuckle or a fire siren or the crunch of snow; and the sounds go on forever. Fine painting gives me a sense of release, a feeling of permanence. Haven't you ever heard a picture whisper: 'I'll last. I'll be here when all else crumbles'? That is a priceless possession."

Fanny Brice

"The fun to me in buying pictures is to spot an unknown painter who looks like a comer and see how good your hunch was. If he comes through, you're sure you're a connoisseur, and if he doesn't, you at least have the satisfaction of knowing that you encouraged a struggling artist. By steering clear of buying 'names,' I have a collection which cost me practically nothing, and is now beginning to pay dividends."

Madame Helena Rubinstein

"Pictures do for me what mink, I suppose, does for some women. Depending on my mood, a fine painting gives me a shot in the arm, a sense of security, even peace of mind when I need it. Owning a picture you love is like warming your hands over a log fire."



KODACHROME BY WILLIAM HOWLAND

If you are not already a collector of fine art, you will want to send for the three lists decribed below. They suggest easy and inexpensive ways to bring good art into your own life. To receive all three lists, send 30¢ in coin or stamps to Art Editor, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, 572 Madison Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.

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In a few sections of the country, you can rent or borrow pictures to hang in your own home. Thus, you can find out by living with an original or a reproduction if you like a painting well enough to buy it. Send for our list of the sources from which you can rent or borrow art for your home.

If you can't afford to own originals of great masters, you can still obtain satisfactory reproductions for framing. Reproductions that are faithful to the originals are now obtainable in this country at reasonable prices. You will want this list of sources for good color reproductions and prints for framing.

EXOTIC PLANTS AS SCULPTURE

No man-made art forms can compete with nature. The plants you bring into your home should be selected for form and as striking designs. Here are eight robust ones with wonderful lines



Crested euphorbia



Imperial begonia



Staghorn fern



Norfolk Island pine



Jade plant or crassula



Aechmea fulgens

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Cryptanthus



Dieffenbachia Rudolph Roehrs

For points on caring for these exotics, turn to page 124

"Little" Art for Little Places



There's no real reason why you can't have good art even in the bathroom. These are pen and ink drawings

Some art might be called "little." Not that it is necessarily insignificant in size or subject matter, but rather not powerful enough to be effective on an important wall. Hand-painted tiles, pen-and-ink drawings, etchings, découpages, and some oils are examples.

Coming across such art in the "little" places of a home —in foyers, on short walls, in dressing rooms—is like finding a gold coin among the silver. With good art even odd corners become significantly interesting.



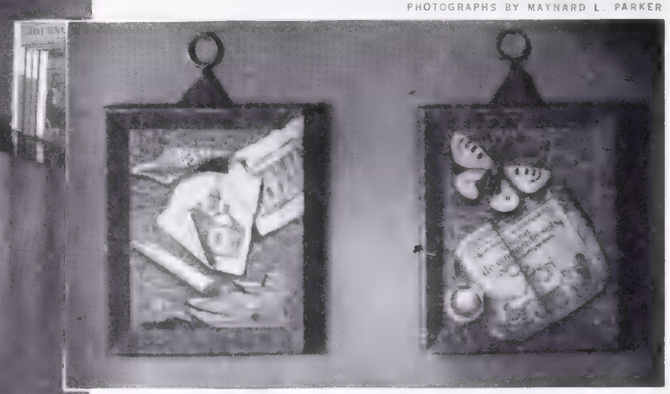
Fine tiles are as much art as an oil painting. This pair brighten a foyer. Note découpage on the door

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS IN THE HOME OF GENE DAVIS



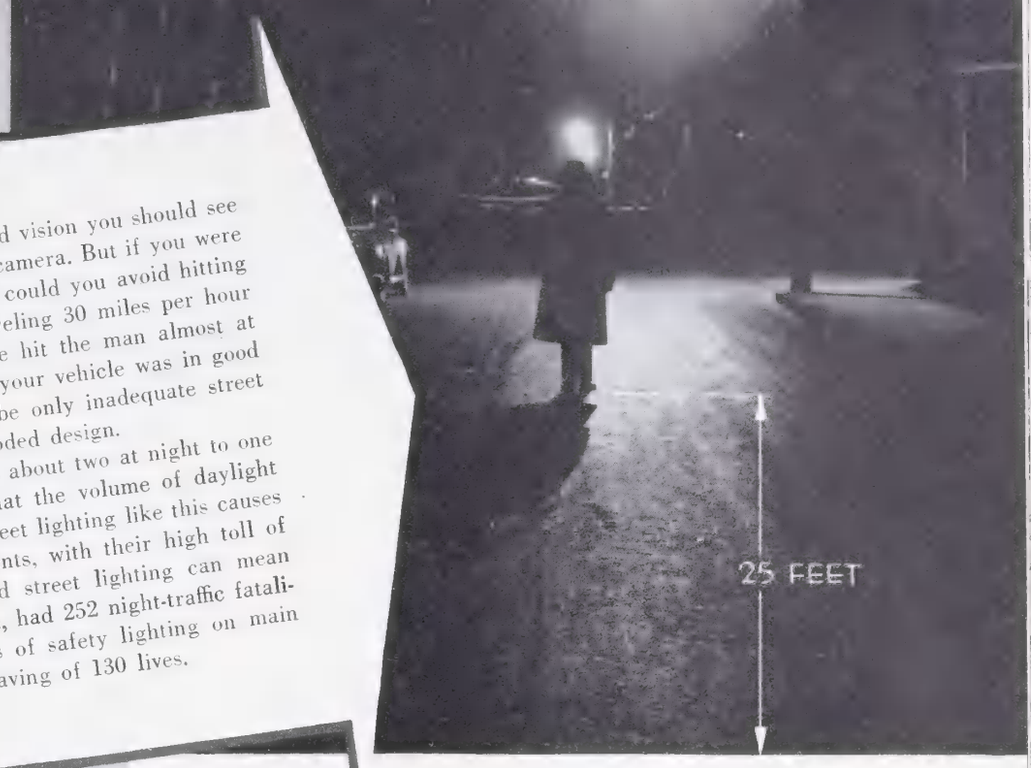
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A painting and a pair of delicately composed découpages (close-up above) distinguish this short wall

BEFORE



Can you see the man in this photo? With good vision you should see him easily, for he is only 25 feet from the camera. But if you were driving down this street at 30 miles an hour, could you avoid hitting this man even if you saw him? An auto traveling 30 miles per hour requires 80 feet to stop. So you would have hit the man almost at the same time you first saw him. Assuming your vehicle was in good condition, the cause of the accident could be only inadequate street lighting, the result of using lamps of outmoded design.

The national average for traffic deaths is about two at night to one during daylight hours, despite the fact that the volume of daylight traffic is double that of nighttime. Poor street lighting like this causes a large percentage of night traffic accidents, with their high toll of dead and injured. Here's what improved street lighting can mean in lives saved: In 1936 Detroit, Michigan, had 252 night-traffic fatalities. By 1939, after installing 300 miles of safety lighting on main thoroughfares, fatalities fell to 122—a saving of 130 lives.

AFTER



Compare this picture with the one above. Do you notice any difference? This is American Boulevard in Long Beach, California, equipped with one of the best examples of traffic safety lighting in the country. The man is 90 feet from the camera. The sign on the near street light standard gives the speed limit as 25 miles per hour. With the adequate illumination afforded, you could stop your auto in time to avoid hitting the man.

This street lighting installation is typical of the Long Beach program to provide adequate street illumination. On one Long Beach street, before lighting reform, the traffic accident rate for two years was 44. In the same period, after relighting, only 30 accidents occurred—a 32% reduction. Traffic safety lighting permits visibility up to 3,000 feet, more than a half mile. Next time you drive your car, remember it takes 128 feet to stop a vehicle going 40 miles per hour, and at 50 miles per hour you can't stop within 186 feet. Without adequate lighting, your margin of safety is very slim.

Are Your

STREET LIGHTS KILLING PEOPLE?

by Dorothy Ducas

Your Town Needs

Brighter Nights

Are you killing people twice as fast at night as in the daytime in your town? That's what happens when street lighting lags behind increased traffic and road construction. Better street lighting means personal safety, reduced crime, enhanced property values. It's time to modernize your street lights now

Each night, when the sky grows dark and the lights come on in your home town, sudden death and needless destruction go racing through your city streets

As you sit down before your own bright dinner table or relax in the comfortable chair by the fireplace, somewhere—perhaps not many blocks or miles away from you—somebody didn't see that man stepping off the sidewalk in time to pull the emergency brake. Nor saw the car ahead of him too late to avoid crashing into it. You'll read of it next day in your newspaper and shake your head.

But you could have done something about it! You and other citizens of your community, whose opinions and tax payments control the activities of your local government, could have provided enough street lighting to have prevented almost all the loss of life and a major part of the property damage resulting from night traffic accidents in your town.

You could have done it at a cost of only a dollar (or less) a year more per capita than you are now paying for street lighting.

Everybody is concerned about traffic accidents. Since the war (*Continued, on page* 175)

BEFORE



The main thoroughfare of Denver, Colorado, looked like this at night before modern safety lighting was installed. Its shroud of darkness was a hazard to pedestrians and drivers alike. Notice how little light the lamp posts shed on the street itself.

AFTER



The same street in Denver looks like this now, adequately illuminated at night with modern mercury-incandescent street lighting. Illumination like this saves lives and prevents accidents and it gives the whole district a more enterprising appearance.

HOW TO JUDGE YOUR STREET LIGHTS

Just because you can see lamp posts at regular intervals as you ride through your city's streets, don't think your city is well lighted. There may not be enough lights, or they may be the wrong kind for the world of today. Street lights haven't been changed in many cities since the 1920's; and we've come a long way in increased traffic and better lighting since then!

Check your street lights against the answers to these eight questions:

1. Are the lights 25 feet or more above the pavement? YES . . . . NO . . . .

Old-fashioned lights often were only 10 or 15 feet from the pavement. That's not high enough to spread the light in a wide enough arc to make more than a "spot" of light on the street. And glare is worse when lights are mounted low. Modern lights stand 25 to 30 feet high on heavy-traffic streets, 20 to 25 feet on residential streets.

2. Are the lights less than 150 feet apart? YES . . . . NO . . . .

The lights should be close enough together, as well as high enough, to avoid dark areas on the roadway and sidewalks midway between lights. This means they should be 100 to 150 feet apart on heavy-traffic streets, although 200 to 300 feet will suffice for residential streets.

3. Does the fixture hang down? YES . . . . NO . . . .

It should hang *down*, pointing at the street, not raise its head to the sky, where artificial illumination is useless. The old-style globe or cluster of globes atop a standard sent 50% of the light up into the air, instead of to the street.

4. Has the upper part of the fixture a reflector? YES . . . . NO . . . .

The glary globe, unadorned with a shield that prevents the light from going up, is definitely outmoded. Lights for today's streets use the upper part of the lamp to *turn back* as much light as possible to the street, sidewalk, and lower parts of the sides of buildings. This gives *more* light for the same amount of electricity.

5. Does the light spread out from its source in cone-shape? YES . . . . NO . . . .

Up-to-date lights don't restrict the area to be lighted to a small circle. The illumination spreads out at about a 75 degree angle and brightens more than the surface of the street. After all, automobile headlights do a fair job of lighting the road surface. *More* is necessary for safe and adequate street lighting. If surrounding areas are lighted, objects such as pedestrians and other cars are silhouetted so that you can see them sooner.

6. Are the fixtures less than 8 years old? YES . . . . NO . . . .

About eight years ago new and more efficient reflecting materials became available. Modern fixtures provide double or more the visibility obtained from older types. Not all fixtures installed during the past eight years are of these modern types—but those installed more than eight years ago definitely are *not* modern.

7. Is the lamp post simple and good-looking? YES . . . . NO . . . .

Rococo light poles, with elaborate decorations, don't go with our streamlined, simple, modern architecture—nor fit the functional type of street lighting which has been designed to give more light at less cost. It's sometimes possible to salvage the post of such an old-fashioned affair by putting a modern top on it.

8. Is there enough light to give you a feeling of security as you walk or drive along the street? YES . . . . NO . . . .

This is really the crucial test of a street-lighting system. Street lights fulfill their purpose only if they enable you to use the street at night with comfort and safety and without strain.

The Gardener's Beatrice Fairfax

or

How to use a Botanical Garden

They are not only outdoor museums, they are practical service stations for gardeners. Are you getting all the help you can from the one nearest you? Read on to find out

By DOROTHY DUCAS

Have you ever really *used* a botanical garden? Stop a moment before you say yes. We don't mean visiting one: sitting on a bench beneath luxuriant trees, walking through formal gardens, enjoying a view of the array of bright blooms. If you live near a botanical garden or arboretum, undoubtedly you have done these things.

But what has it meant in terms of improving your own flower garden and your shrub plantings at home?

Most of us think of botanical gardens as splendid outdoor museums, places to go to see perfect specimens or rare examples of plant life. We regard them as educational institutions, scientific research centers, public parks—which they usually are, of course. But they are also advisory centers for anybody who wants to grow things himself, sources of new ideas for home gardens, gold mines of information and inspiration for our own grounds, large or small, if we choose to make them such.

Now that most of us have turned from victory gardens to ornamental horticulture, we have hosts of questions:

"I wish I knew what to plant in that shady spot near the stone wall."

"How can I get rid of the weeds that mar the lawn?"

"Wonder what's the right time to plant water lilies."

"Wish I knew the name of that lovely flower I saw on my vacation—and whether it would grow in my garden."

"What can I grow indoors in the winter?"

If you had any problems like these in your mind this past year (and who hasn't had?), (*Continued on page 168*)



The Missouri Botanical Garden at St. Louis is famed for its water lilies. To see them is to want a garden pool of your own.



This April scene at the New York Botanical Garden will inspire even a luke-warm gardener to want to plant a "daffodil hillside."



PHOTOGRAPH BY JOSEF MUENCH

One of the things you'll learn at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden is how to blend your lawn area with a naturalistic setting.

Learn the botanical garden's specialties

Specialties of the House

March is the time of the year to plan a botanical tour. If you are a gardener, no matter how small-scale, why not use vacation days to get inspiration in many parts of the country? We list below some places you might visit for this purpose. Not all are real botanical gardens, equipped to serve you with bulletins, seed information, or answers to your questions. But in almost all parts of the United States there are displays you'd enjoy seeing and learning about.

This table lists just a few of the 100 private and public displays available—each well worth a visit. Only special features are listed—there is *more* to see at most of them. All are open free to the public throughout the year, except where noted. Check hours of each before you visit.

Garden	What to See	When at its Best
THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM Harvard University Jamaica Plain, Mass.	Over 6,000 varieties hardy woody plants 500 varieties of lilacs Azaleas 150 varieties woody vines Dwarf Japanese trees Crab apples Rare plants	All year Latter part of May May to June April to October All year May to June; Sept. to Nov. All year
BOYCE THOMPSON SOUTHWESTERN ARBORETUM Superior, Arizona	Desert plants	March through June (Blooming peak—May 1)
BROOKGREEN GARDENS, Inc. On U.S. 17, 18 miles south of Georgetown, S.C.	Plants of the southeast	March to June
BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN Brooklyn, N.Y.	Rose garden (600 kinds tolerating city conditions) Japanese cherries Children's garden Wild flower garden (native to vicinity)	June to November April to mid-May June to September Spring and autumn
FAIRCHILD TROPICAL GARDEN Cocoanut Grove, Florida	Tropical plants Shrubs, vines, fruit, shade, and flowering trees—including over 350 species of palms	All year, except August and September
FT. WORTH BOTANIC GARDEN Ft. Worth, Texas	Nature trails Rose garden Water garden Dahlias and chrysanthemums	All year April & May; Sept. & Oct. All year September and October

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How to use a Botanical Garden

BACKGROUND BY J. E. EDMONSON

A life of WHOSE own?

It seems to me that the process of growing up chiefly involves getting rid of most of the precepts you've acquired along the way, like "The Best Things in Life Are Free" (well, go ahead, name three), or "The Way to a Man's Heart Is Through His Stomach" (who got further—Fannie Farmer or Lillian Russell?).

When you're full-grown, you know enough either to discount them or rewrite them.

"If two's company and three's a crowd, then four's a convention," David said yesterday morning. "Particularly when they convene in the old homestead."

"Blood may be thicker than water, but I don't see where that's any recommendation," I returned.

"The guy who said 'No ties!' must have been talking about blood ties," he shot back.

This is a private little parlor game we have taken to playing during our morning ablutions. We recommend it highly as setting-up exercises and a safety valve for all homeless characters forced to move in with their relatives.

Still apartmentless, we have been installed for some time in the bosom of the family. I do not use the term lightly. The only difference between bosom and lap is that one is a bit higher up. They both involve a large, all-embracing expanse from which there is no escape. It's simply *there*. Wherever you turn, you collide with it.

After spending three years in one room we now have nine rooms, two maids and a Russian wolfhound at our disposal.

I haven't made a hospital corner since we left California. My hands no longer know dishwater. My gloves are immaculate, my dresses resplendently uncreased. I move from room to room, filling up ash trays with wild abandon. I am barred from the kitchen and David is putting on weight. I use a clean glass any time I feel like it, secure in the knowledge I don't have to dry it.

Heaven, I would have figured, back in the Owen's Alley era. *Utopia*. A rich, full, rose-strewn life. *This lovely young matron spends the greater part of her day cold-creaming her face.*

The first month it was fine. But this is the sixth.

And I would give it all up for one room of our own, and the chance to talk to David without holing up in our borrowed brocade bedroom. A chance to hold a good, loud argument and a fine, wild reconciliation—unhampered, unobserved. A chance to maintain a glum, unblinking silence at (*Continued on page* 166)

By Helen Markel Herrmann



DRAWING BY JANE MILLER

by Helen Markel Herrmann





ALFRED HITCHCOCK

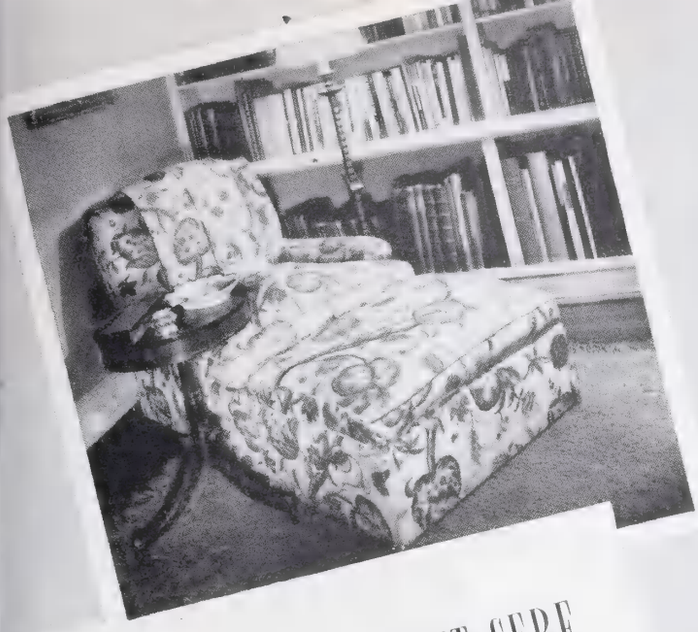
The rugged Mr. H. stands revealed as one of the home-sweet-home boys. The master of the chilly thriller admits he leans toward needlepoint. This wing chair is a fine example of his impeccable taste. He tracked it down in a Third Avenue antique shop, personally supervised its upholstering. "We're made for each other," he grins. "Easy on the eye and the Hitchcock girth."

BILLY ROSE

Behold the seat of Showman Rose's troubles, the site from which he plots his potent column, dreams up his outsize dreams. Note that the unpredictable Mr. R. scorns glitter for the restraint of fine English antiques like this chair that slips into the slot of the circular hunt table. Seeing him revolve inexorably around his unique desk, you begin to understand the abundant Rose output.

Gentlemen, be seated!

Presenting the favorite chairs of eight prominent gentlemen



BENNETT CERF

Bennett Cerf, president of Random House, prankster and best-seller, is so attached to this chair that it took Mrs. C. eight years to tear him away from it long enough to get it upholstered. "You'd think it was the only one in the house," she says bitterly. "Great chair," Mr. C. says fondly. "Highly adaptable. Sits up for serious talk, lounges for anecdotes, swoons for Sinatra."



BILLY WILDER

This giday item has sat in on some of Hollywood's fanciest story conferences. Owner Wilder claims that Brackett, the more stationary member of the deft duo ("Lost Week End," etc.) is responsible for five of its seven recoverings to date. "Since I think best on my feet," he says, "I use it only for quick naps while Brackett broods. My nomination for the softest berth in Hollywood."



DAVID SARNOFF

This is an unretouched photograph of one of Mr. Sarnoff's oldest friends. He has the same affection for it some men give their house slippers, to which it bears a marred resemblance. Mr. S., head of the Radio Corporation of America, shudders at the idea of recovering it. "You can't teach an old chair new tricks," he says. "Anyway, I've spent 20 years getting it this way!"



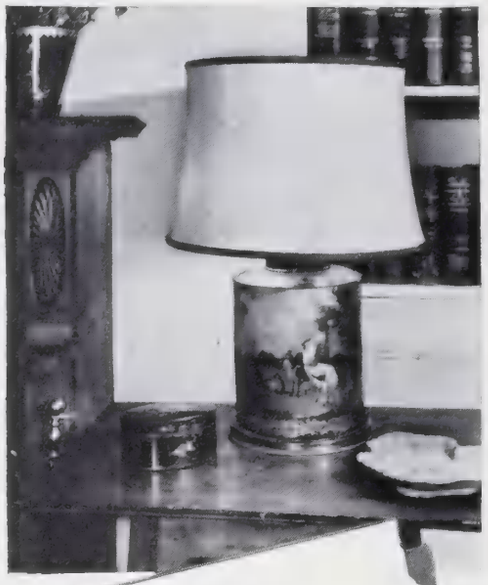
BERNARD BARUCH

It took Mr. Baruch, lately of the UN Atomic Energy Commission, to turn a park bench into a national institution and to provide final proof that he is a man of the people. Although Mr. Baruch gets around, even in Central Park, we have it on direct authority that this bench is one of his favorites. That's probably the best-informed pigeon in history down in the lower right corner.

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Lamps needn't match other furnishings literally in color, shape, or pattern, but if they don't match the character of a room, they're out of place. These old tole bases were chosen to blend with pickled pine and chintz.



Do your lamps match the room?

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Lampshades of the same cotton taffeta as the slipcovers tie this room together. Also note that the important scale of lamps, made of mahogany balustrade turnings, builds up table as an impressive decorative feature

Urn-shape bronze lamps, silhouetted against the wall, "frame" this window-seat grouping. Shades covered in the modernized toile of the draperies are perfectionist detailing that makes good decoration.





ALL ROOMS EXCEPT LOWER RIGHT PHOTOGRAPHED AT JORDAN MARSH CO., BOSTON

Most lamps arrive on the decorating scene as afterthoughts. Which is why you see so many rooms where the lamps look like stepchildren who don't really belong in the family. They seem to have been dragged in by the heels, after the furniture has been arranged, and spotted around at random like bric-a-brac to fill in the bare spaces.

All of this goes under the heading of missing a choice decorating opportunity. For why treat lamps as casual incidentals like ash trays and cigarette boxes, when they can be an important, integral part of a room? Lamps can give rooms scale, color or pattern. They can underscore an atmosphere, build up insignificant furniture to distinction, or tie together colors and designs.

But good, positive lamps that do these things and look as though they belonged don't just happen. Bases and shades must be schemed into a room with the same care you give to the matching and mixing of furniture and fabrics. The lamps that have settled so decoratively into these four rooms show you how it's done.

by Frances Heard

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS BY EMELIE DANIELSON NICHOLSON



Just as in table setting, where cloth, china, silver, and glass should share the same degree of fineness, lampshades should be keyed to bases. Here embroidered bobinette is appropriately delicate with flowered porcelain.



by Will Mehlhorn

A Good Way to Acquire a Home — anno 1947

This year war time taboos or postwar priorities will not stop your building the new super house you've planned. But high costs may—also restrictions on size. So what sort of house can you build for your money now? Must you make agonizing compromises to condense your needs and dreams to your smaller building dollars and the government limitation of 1,500 square feet of floor space in a new house? Or are there still more ways than one to skin a cat?

A veteran, Clement Cointe, his wife, and a smart team of architects, Harold Bissner and Harold Zook, found that there were. The small stop-gap house you see here, is part of their hard-headed but handsome scheme to straddle present building conditions. It is really an apartment on an acre of land; one-room living quarters, kitchen, dressing room-bath, plus two-car garage. It adds up to only 700 square feet of floor space. But *it* will not be the limit of the Cointe's living, even though it is a complete little house in itself, one offering good suggestions to any small-house planner. The owners have very smooth plans for further development of the entire lot. These plans include a future full-size house at the top of the hill, one which will really fulfill their notions of what complete living should be. This will be their regular home when they are able to build it. Then this existing house will become a self-sufficient guest house, connected to the main house.

If you will flip the pages over to page 106, you will see a sketch and plan of the complete project when finished. Approximately $8,800 is the cost total of the existing house. But that includes fees for planning the future house and entire property as well (*Continued on page* 105)

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PHOTOGRAPH BY JULIUS SHULMAN



This isn't a luxury house in size or cost but only i the good living it permits. Less than half the minimun size allowed by government regulations, it consists of a all-purpose room of wide wingspread, plus bath, kitcher garage. It's a first step toward a fine house and ground-

Above the retaining walls already in place at left, th owners will build the complete house of their dream when their ship comes in and regulations go out. The ga age will connect the two houses and road, give easy acce to both of them. Present house will become guest house ther

This dining portion of the principal room, right, look out on the terrace (center oval will become a swimmin pool later), but is screened from garage above by th walls. Winding steps in luxuriantly planted walls crea several pockets next to house for lush, tropical plant

At Night It's a Bedroom

1. With a twist of the wrist this folding partition bisects the room. Half of the household can retire with a whodunit, the other half entertain at the fireplace end of the room if they choose. The accordion partition is set in a ceiling track and is made of venetian blind slats between two fabrics.

2. A jumbo size desk by day, the cabinet under the window wall has bedroom proclivities, too. Two shoe cabinets and storage space for extra clothing and blankets are in it. Pin-point ceiling light above it, draw curtains screening the glass could make it a night dressing table. Walls here are shocking pink.

3. This familiar L-shape arrangement of couches, corner table, and flanking book shelves is both an ideal living and bedroom set-up, thanks to several ingenious tricks. The long shelves secrete bedding which merely needs unrolling onto the beds at night. The corner table holds daytime couch pillows.

4. Opposite is the room in its daytime dress, opened to full size. Adjoining that lounge corner (looking now as if it never had known the word "bedding") is a sliding mirror door. It leads to the bath-dressing room which has ample clothing storage space. An outside door here will lead to the future swimming pool.



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HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S
Home Planner's Study Course

A Lot of Living in a Little Space

At left is the real secret of how living in one room can be comfortable, attractive, and complete. This storage wall lacks only quarters for the dog. Left to right, it has coat closet, bar, radio-phonograph-record space, a china and linen cupboard.

Below you can see the storage wall with all compartments closed. Only the circular opening for the radio-phonograph loud speaker shows. Notice the interesting texture of the rough-sawn redwood stakes which make an original, inexpensive wall.

Facing page. Though room is used for living, dining, sleeping, its furniture is big in scale and colorful. (This sofa is shocking-pink wall color, chair and ottoman are pony hide.) Trick is to use a few double duty pieces—not a lot of small pieces.

Front door is farthest to right of these glass panels and it matches them. Curtains pull over from right to screen it. Curtain at left (not visible) pulls across glass panels. Extension table is used for dining, has pin-point ceiling lighting.

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Those WONDERFUL EUONYMUS

With a different type for every purpose, the euonymus shrubs can solve all kinds of garden problems. Use the evergreen species as free-growing or clipped vines, as accents, even substitutes for boxwood. Others make handsome hedges and offer bright fall color

Once you have learned to roll its name easily off your tongue, you will appreciate the euonymus (pronounced you-on′-y-muss). This woody ornamental will seem to meet you at every turn and in so many different guises, until the idea finally dawns that euonymus is just the solution to many difficult spots in your own garden.

Of all types of this woody plant, the wintercreeper (*Euonymus radicans*) will serve you best. It is an evergreen vine that has great variety in foliage and is compact enough to make a good shrub without support. You will use it as a vine on a stone or brick wall or chimney where English ivy has winterkilled or failed to take hold. Here it may be allowed to develop naturally, with new growth jutting a foot or more beyond its support, or it may be clipped to fit a narrow space or a formal situation.

The Bigleaf variety (*E. r. vegetus*), which bears its bittersweet-like fruits sooner and more abundantly than *radicans*, itself, makes a handsome, informal accent that will rarely grow out of bounds. You will find another fine accent in the Coloratus variety that strikes a rich bronzy purple note, found in no other northern vine during the winter; try it against gray stone. If, on the other hand, your house is white clapboard, or your garden gate or fence is painted (*Continued on page* 126)



Plant Coloratus type, here clipped, for winter color



Wintercreeper makes hedges of masonry piers. Henry Fletcher Kenney, designer



by Florence Paine Rollins

Don't UNDERESTIMATE The Commonplace In Cooking

You aren't judged in this world by your large, spectacular gestures, but by your small, daily reactions to the routine business of living. The wealthy industrialist who gives lavishly where his contribution will be widely publicized, the housewife whose home is immaculate for parties, but slovenly if entered unexpectedly, aren't really fooling anyone.

Nor will you win a lasting reputation as a fine cook by virtue of giving an occasional party where the food is superlative. Rather will you be judged on how well you've mastered the basic foods of any cooking wardrobe —the stays which hold together the bulk of your meals. The true artist begins with the little things, way way down on the lowest rung of the cooking ladder. When these have been mastered, he ventures higher and higher to acquaint himself with more intricate dishes, exotic flavors and rare ingredients.

What's more, too many people have the mistaken idea that they can't entertain unless they can produce a repast which (*Continued on page* 137)

When you're entertaining modestly

Individual Beef Casseroles
with
Sweet Potato Covers

Assorted Greens with
Citrus Fruit Dressing

Golden Popovers

Claret-Glazed Pears

An attractive setting, as much as proper seasoning, enhances commonplace food. But simple fare should not be served on an ornate table. Note the severe simplicity of the accessories Mrs. Frances T. Heard, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL's Home Furnishings Editor, selected for this modest menu. "English Hobnail" milk glass is by Westmoreland. Sterling is Wallace's "Grand Colonial." Linens from John Matouk.





Sleeping Beauties {1947 version}



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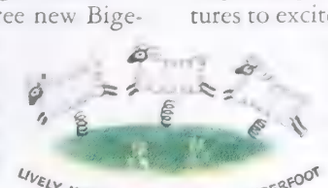
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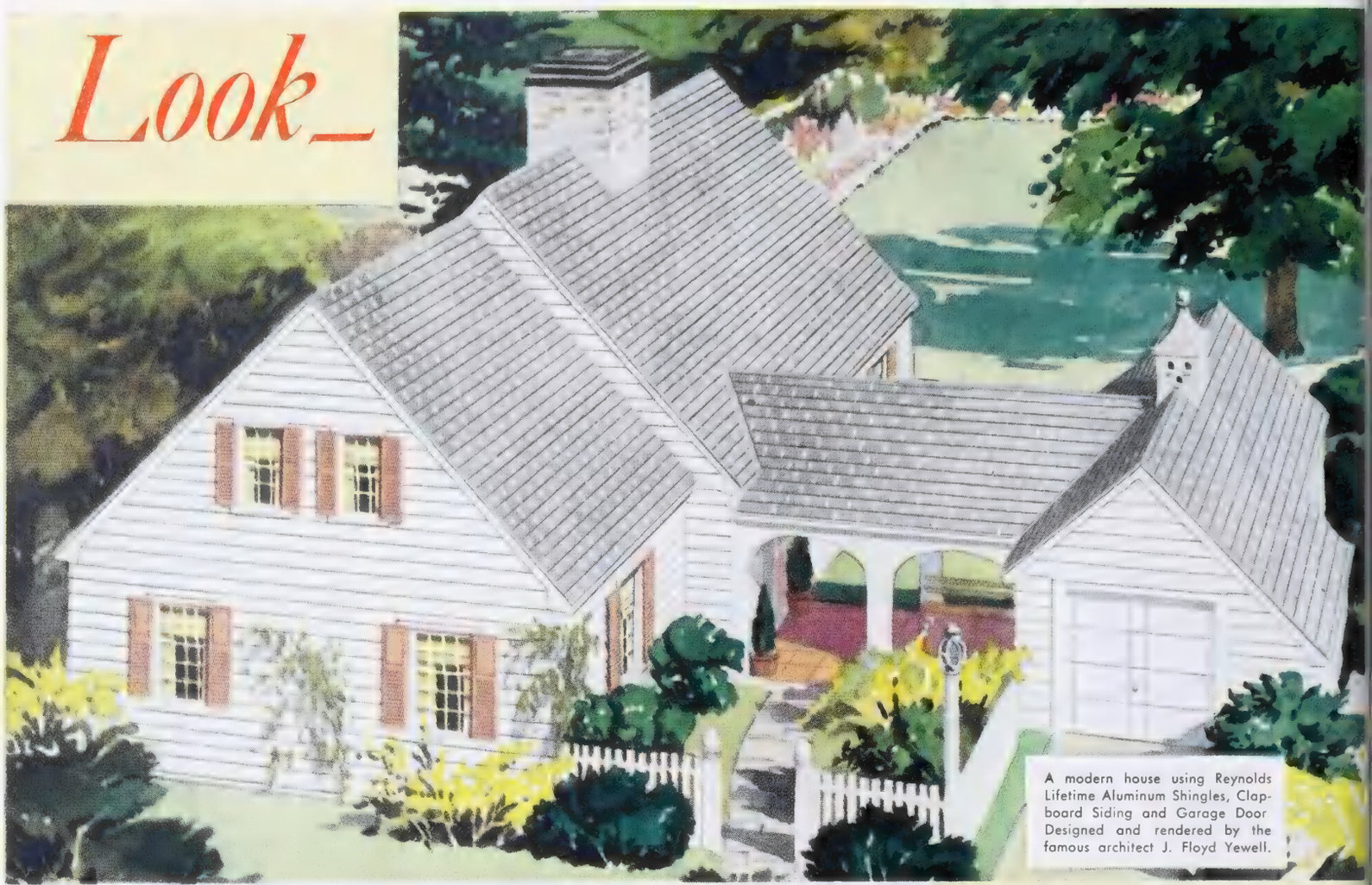
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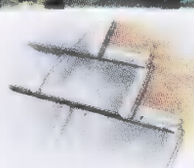
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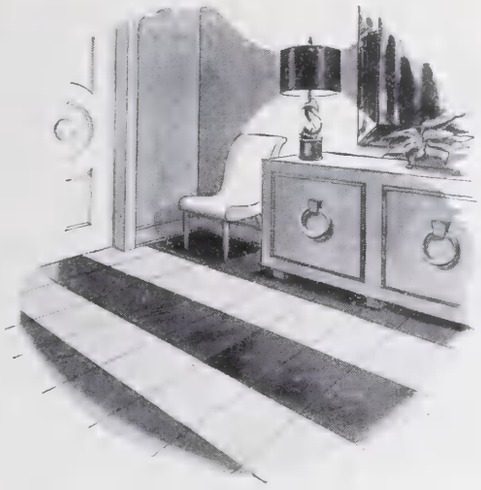
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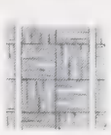


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floor covering with a good many points in its favor these days for me builders or remodelers is phalt tile. It has an edge on any flooring materials in availa- lity. And it is good-looking, hard- earing, and easy to maintain. You n also design your own patterns th it, creating a custom-made pearance with stock materials. ade in separate squares and rec- ngles, which are laid individually d can be replaced if injured or

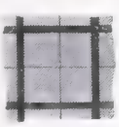


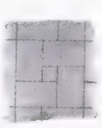


rn, sizes are as small as 3″ x 3″, large as 18″ x 24″, and come in rticularly useful 9″ x 9″, 12″ x ″, 12″ x 24″ blocks. It is easy to e it in large scale effects instead in hackneyed, little checker- ard designs. Our sketches, ough tiny, indicate possible pat- ns, using 12″ x 12″ and 18″ x ″ blocks, which would instantly matize a hall, dining room, or ing quarters.

In the past, asphalt tile has been ed mostly in the kitchen (a grease-proof variety is made) and in other heavy traffic service areas. That's because it's a heavy-duty, resilient material of asbestos and asphalt which resists abrasion, moisture, and fire, is dustless, odorless, and non-absorbent, and is easy to clean. It is also much used in basement recreation rooms where it can be laid on concrete in direct contact with the ground.

But for the many one-story, basementless houses being built now, asphalt tiling is a logical material for the *whole* house. Particularly where a concrete slab foundation, with imbedded pipes for radiant heating is used. It offers a wide selection in plain and marbelized colors, too, though light colors are harder to get and more costly.





Costs, generally, are modest considering today's flooring materials prices, averaging from 35¢ to 45¢ installed. Finally, the success of asphalt tile depends largely on proper installation over a satisfactorily even under-surface.

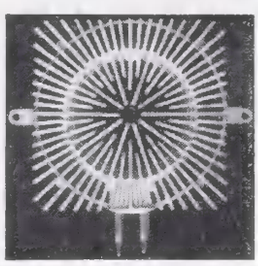
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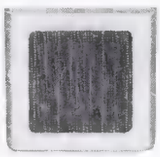
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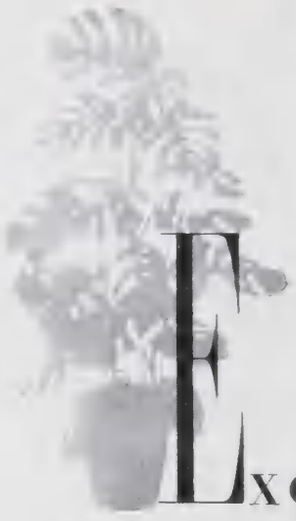
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EXOTIC PLANTS AS SCULPTURE

Here are simple cultural directions on growing eight of the best for room decor

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House plants used to have a rather bad name among people who liked sleek, chic, fashionable interiors. They associated dowdiness and clutter with the growing of potted plants indoors. "If you can't grow them in a conservatory, you shouldn't grow them at all!" they would say.

But just as the word "conservatory" is slipping out of our vocabulary, so are house plants slipping back into our rooms. Not the cluttery ones with fuzzy forms, but the strong-form, bold-composition plants. You find them most popular of all in rooms with Modern and Contemporary decorating, for they throw such beautiful shadows, hold out leaves of such waxy perfection that they almost ask to be touched, and ask very little in the way of care—a quality that is synonymous with Modern furnishings.

You are undoubtedly familiar with *Monstera deliciosa* (also called *Philodendron pertusum*) and fiddle-leaf fig (*Ficus pandurata*) for they have become very popular in the last few years. You have seen them so much that you don't need magazine articles to show them to you, though we *are* glad to recommend them for their decorative superiority as room décor.

But in the eight exotic plants pictured on pages 86 and 87 we present eight rarities which are available through the florist trade and yet which are so little known that you may not have seen them. Even if you have seen them, you might not have known how hardy and trouble-free are these sculpturesque plants indoors, under far from-ideal, steam-heated conditions. We hope you are aware that a single one of these is worth several dozen ivies or geraniums, if it's decorative results you want. These are not "windowsill" plants to be herded together in groups to achieve a bit of greenery. They are important decorative accessories, to be given the spotlight alone with no other plant within looking distance. You should place them as carefully and thoughtfully as you would a piece of sculpture. Several are big enough to be worthy of their own piece of floor, their own bit of empty wall space against which to look beautiful.

Crassula or jade plant (*Crassula arborescens*) is an excellent subject for your living room, especially if you buy, or are patient enough to wait for the plant to mature into a truly miniature tree with sturdy trunk. The crassula pictured on page 87 is three feet tall, about 15 years old, and has been flowering for three years, with pinkish-white clusters of sedum-like flowers at Christmas time and

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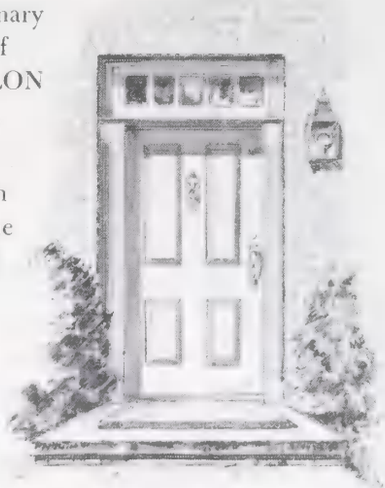
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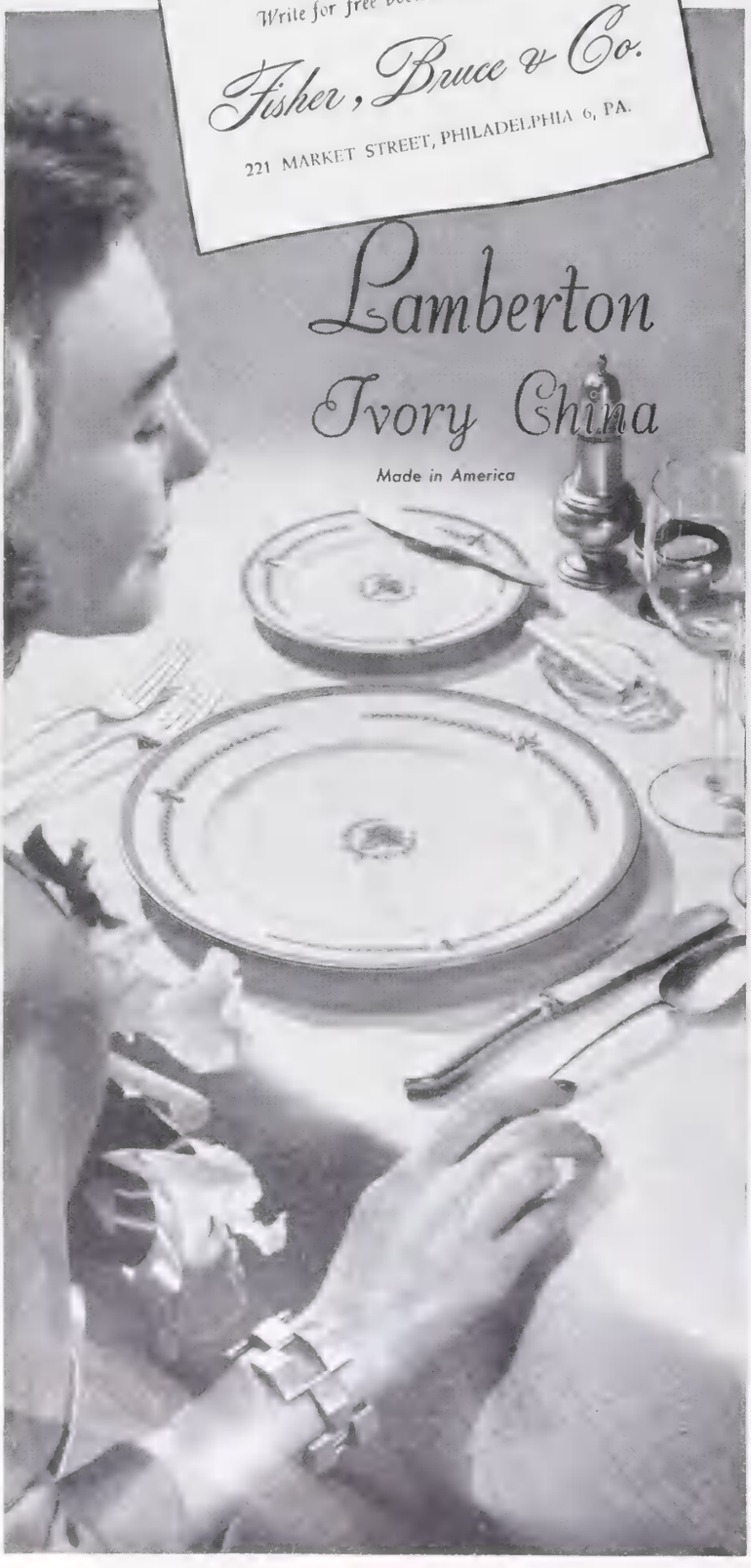
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Clipped *Euonymus patens* makes good doorway accent.

Those Wonderful EUONYMUS

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white, the Variegated or Silver-edge variety (*E. r. albo-marginata*) is just the euonymus for you. Plant it against brick or stone, though, rather than against wood because, like all vines with root-like holdfasts along their stems, the wintercreeper will cling so close to its support that wood beneath it will eventually rot.

The uses of wintercreepers don't stop as a vine; they are also many-purpose shrubs. In fact, if you li in zones 4 to 5 (See map, pa 150), of predominantly alkali soil, *Euonymus radicans* and oth evergreen species—like the uprig shiny-leaved *japonicus*, useful California and in the South, a the hardier, more spreading *pate* (or *kiautschovicus*)—are almo indispensable as substitutes rhododendrons and mountain laur

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Use wintercreeper to soften a brick corner, as here.



Train wintercreeper over wire to substitute for boxwood.

oxwood to edge your flower bor-ers, but find it impossible to grow ecause of extreme heat in sum-ıer or hard freezes in winter? 'hen your desire can be met with substitute of close likeness—gain, the versatile *Euonymus radi-ans*. To get a low dense edging, et small plants a foot apart ı a single row. Over these plants lace a narrow frame of heavy-uage chicken wire. Anchor frame-ork to stout wire stakes driven ıto the ground at three-foot in-ervals and on alternate sides.

As new shoots develop, weave ıem through the wire until, in ıout two years time, your row as completely covered the wire.

Wintercreepers make handsome round covers, too, growing in ther sunshine or shade.

The deciduous or non-evergreen ıonymus superficially bear little-semblance to their evergreen latives. That is, aside from deco-ıtive, bittersweet-like fruits, which l the mature euonymus shrubs ear in late fall and early winter. ı fact, unless your garden is ex-nsive, or you are anxious to in-oduce shrubs primarily for their rnamental fruits, only two or three eciduous types of euonymus may worth considering.

By far the most useful is the warf form of the wing-barked ıonymus, *E. alatus compactus*. It akes a distinctive small hedge, aced 14 to 18 inches apart, and ın be kept easily to a height and idth of only three feet, with one, vo, or at the very most three, runings a year. It is much slower-owing than privet and turns a illiant pink in the fall.

If you have room for a large eciduous euonymus, *alatus* is sim-ar to the dwarf type in every re-ect but size. Two other sizable ıonymus shrubs are *yedoensis* and *europaeus*, both of which may attain the height and often the form of small trees.

You will find that euonymus shrubs will flourish in most soils with a minimum of fertilizer and other attentions, and in almost any exposure. In fact a lean soil, plus sunshine, are recommended for best fruit and fall foliage effects.

If you live in a section where scale is a problem on evergreen euonymus (fortunately deciduous species are rarely susceptible), you should make up your mind in advance of planting either to spray regularly or not to use them.

As on other evergreens, you can control scale by using a dormant oil spray. This should be done on a mild day when the temperature is above 45 degrees. The spraying must be thorough, and it will be necessary to poke the spray nozzle under the leaves to reach the stems where most of the scale insects are lodged. Many of the young scales can be destroyed during the summer by spraying with nicotine sulphate. If scale is excessive, you can cut shrubs to the ground and let them start anew.

We have asked HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S regional garden authorities to suggest euonymus for each of the seven zones, shown in map on page 150. Check your own zone number and then read the paragraph that applies to your particular gardening area.

Zone 1—The Northeast

Euonymus radicans, the hardiest evergreen species, and its several varieties are widely used in the Northeast, despite their susceptibility to scale. *Patens* makes a handsome evergreen in the southern part of Zone 1. It is entirely evergreen around Philadelphia, and in the vicinity of New York City it will often hold its leaves through

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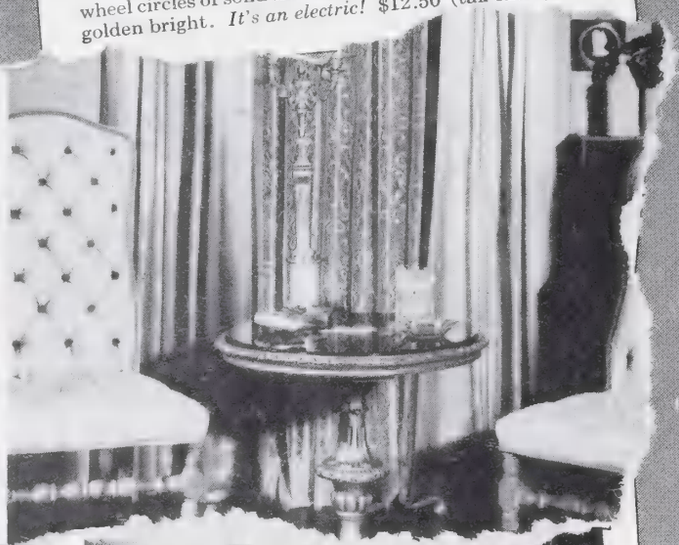


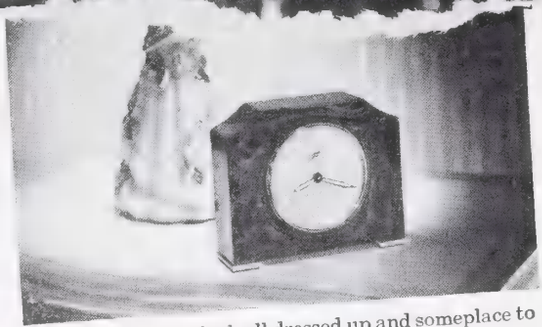
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like opera?", then I reply that opera is the most accomplished form of song and if you have any feeling for the human voice, that most miraculous instrument, opera will give you enormous and unique thrills. Opera is beginner's music. You need no musical sophistication to enjoy it. Many operas are really "lowbrow" in the best sense of the word. Of all forms of music, opera makes almost the most immediate appeal. The essence of opera is song and the essence of song is melody, and melody is the first pleasure of those whose experience with music is in the beginner's stage.

IF YOU go to the opera, you will, until you get used to it, have to make certain imaginative concessions. Your imagination must overleap the fact that some opera singers are distinctly on the portly side and that some female heroines look somewhat like the "before" pictures in a success school advertisement. You also may be held back sometimes from thorough enjoyment because you do not know what is going on, for opera is unfortunately given here in foreign languages. I say unfortunately because, though from a strictly musical point of view, much can be cited against translations into English, the handicap of not being able to associate instantly the words with the tune, of not knowing what sentiment or dramatic situation is being expressed in music seems to me to outweigh purely musical advantages. This handicap can be to a large part overcome by reading a libretto or at least an outline before you hear the opera.

Once having made these adjustments, you enter into a world that is as full of beauty and as charged with vitality as is the best drama, the best novel, the best painting. Yes, there is nothing effete or recondite about good opera. At its best it gives you not only good music but also dramatic excitement, good pageantry, and, more often than you think, first-class acting. A good show, altogether.

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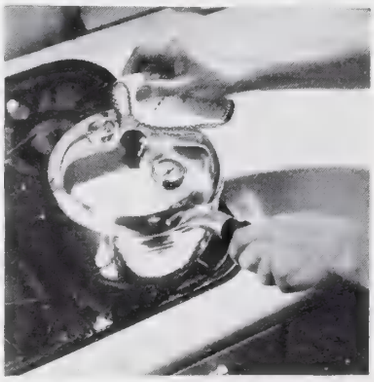
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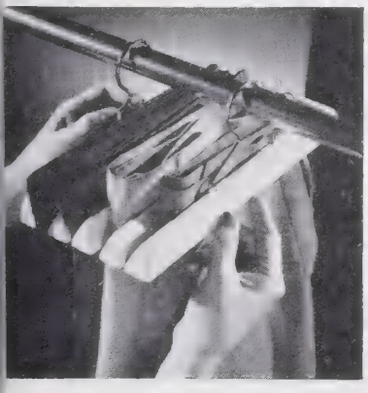
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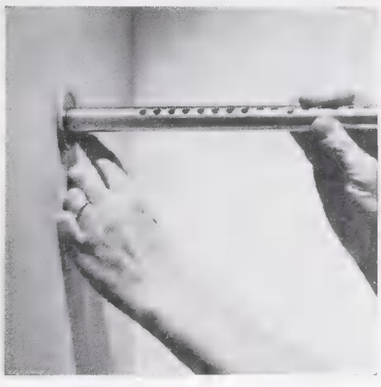
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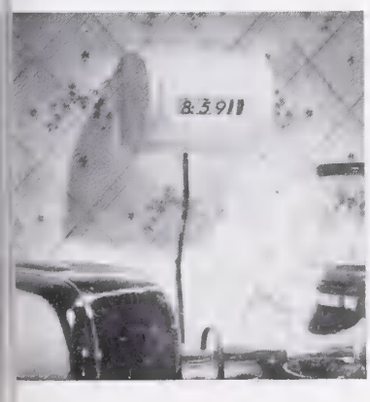




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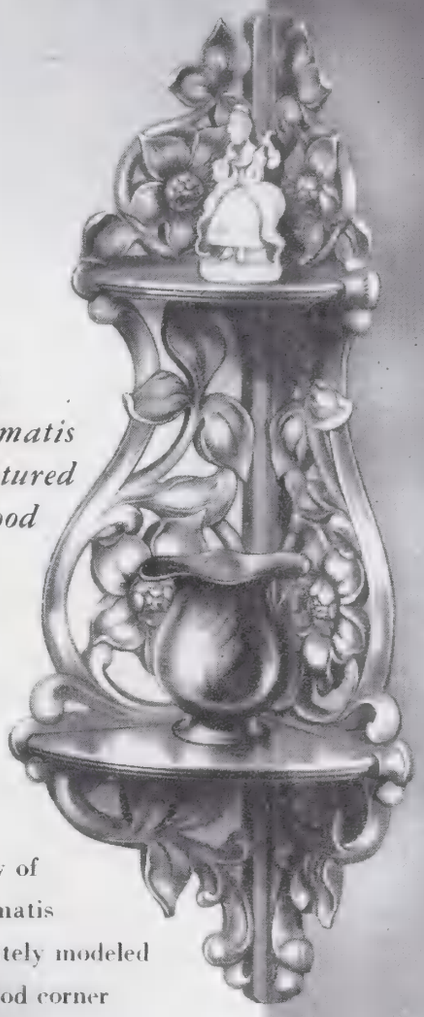
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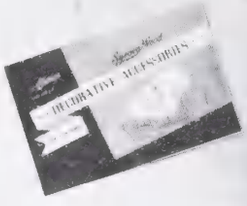
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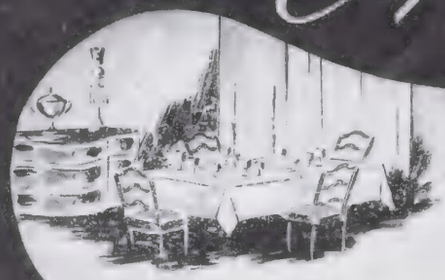
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ARE YOU SUSPICIOUS OF THE OPERA?

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hand, nothing distracts you from the music, and the plot is told to you before the music starts.

These reflections are prompted by several timely reasons. First, there are still several of the Saturday afternoon broadcasts from the Metropolitan Opera to be heard, and you shouldn't miss them. Second, the Metropolitan is planning this year a larger tour than it has ever undertaken. If this tour touches your town, you had better get the tickets in advance, as the performances are usually sold out. Third and fourth, recently a new practical book on opera has appeared, and so have a number of very good operatic records.

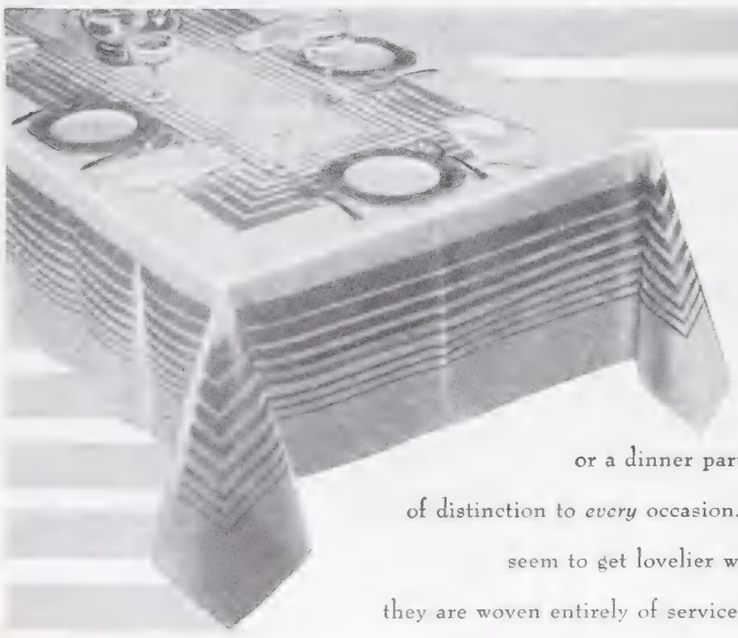
AS TO the book, it is *A Treasury of Grand Opera*, and it contains selections from seven of the most famous operas, along with a detailed telling of the story of each opera. These selections are arranged for the piano and are not too difficult to play. The arias are freshly translated into sometimes good, sometimes not so good English. The book is a really practical help toward getting acquainted with a few operas, as well as an inducement to playing and singing in the home.

But the best part of the book is the enthusiasm which its editor, Henry W. Simon, imparts. "It seems to me no exaggeration," he writes, "to say that grand opera has given us the most enduring, the most popular, and, in their own way, the most emotionally realistic of all stage works.

"Certain plays, like *Lightnin'*, *Abie's Irish Rose*, *Tobacco Road* and *Life with Father*, have had much longer continuous runs than any one grand opera has had, while many movies are seen by a larger number of people in one or two seasons. But who would want to sit through a performance of *Lightnin'* 20 years after its heyday, and who can thrill to a movie 'epic' like *Ben Hur* once its technique looks old-fashioned?

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THE COMMONPLACE IN COOKING

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includes dishes of gourmet character from beginning to end. We maintain that the pursuit of such a narrow policy keeps you from enjoying the fun of entertaining often, and gaining the practical experience which makes truly fine hostesses.

If you have mastered the commonplace in cooking, you can entertain often and well, for the ingredients will usually be available, and at figures which don't make frequent parties prohibitive.

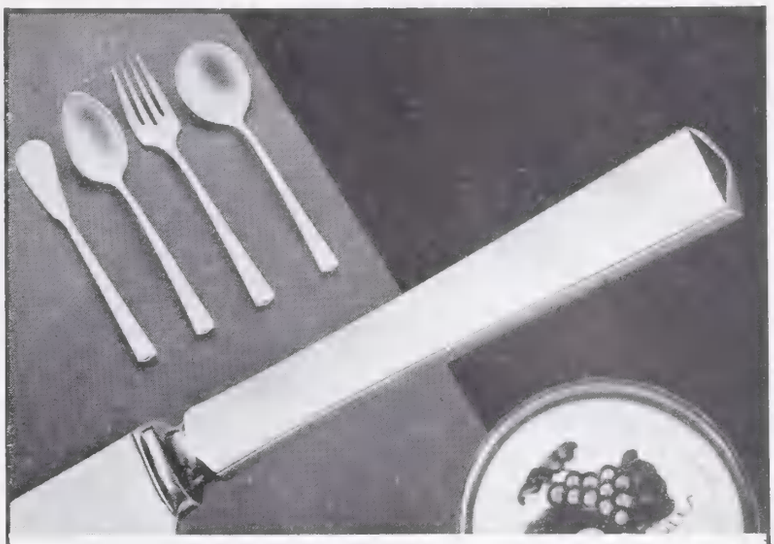
If you can make a really excellent version of each food on our slate of commonplaces, you can build endless dishes and menus, nice enough for the family, and *informal* parties.

OUR basic slate includes such things as: stew, soup, salad dressing, fish, deviled eggs, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, a spaghetti dish, hot breads, a fruit dessert. Not a very impressive group, you may say. But a little self-analysis may show that you're not impressed because *you* can't make any of these things really well. It takes expert seasoning to make such things as stew, scalloped potatoes, deviled eggs, or baked beans outstanding. Yet think of the thrill of pleasure you'll experience when you *are* complimented on your stew born of the humblest ingredients, but which became something noble by your individual touches of seasoning. The most fun in cooking doesn't necessarily stem from creating a dish well when you had top-notch ingredients to begin with, but rather when you've had the challenge of practically nothing to work with.

Yes, our candidates for your cooking repertoire are simple, but we think they can appear without apology when adroitly prepared.

Stew, for example, suffers badly in the hands of the average cook. Too often such a cook overplays the liquid, and ends with an abundance of gravy to be sure, but of such a thin flavor that the stew is a sad commentary on the real thing. But with an inexpensive cut of beef, carrots, and the lowly onion you can produce a dish so appetizing and flavorful that your guests will reach for a spoon or

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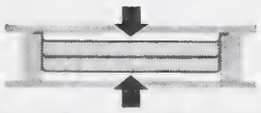
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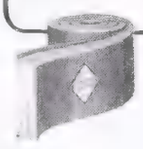
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crust of bread to get every last drop of the gravy. We think the secret lies in not being timid with salt and pepper, in going light on liquid, in not overcooking the vegetables, and in allowing a day for the flavors to become thoroughly blended before serving. The addition of chili sauce gives extra goodness. Our recipe is on page 139.

WITH a good stew, a mixed green salad, and hot bread, you're set for many a buffet supper. But that green salad calls for a delicious dressing. You've no doubt observed scores of times how good just plain lettuce can taste with an interesting dressing, while the most colorful assortment of greens falls flat if the dressing is mediocre. If you can't make a good dressing, anything you put with it will suffer. And conversely, if you have one good dressing up your sleeve, you can create any number of different, enviable salads. So experiment until you find a salad dressing that satisfies *your* taste. Investigate both the lemon and the vinegar schools of thought; the garlic and the onion; the olive oil and the salad oil (cottonseed, corn, peanut, or soy bean). To start you on your testing, try our citrus fruit dressing, and see how you rate it. It goes well with just greens, vegetables, or fruits.

To our mind, soup is a sadly neglected part of our cooking repertoire nowadays. The passing of the coal and wood stove, and the arrival of so many fine canned soups are both responsible. True, there are splendid soups, readily available at the flick of a can opener, but we think you're missing many rich, full-bodied simple meals if you confine your soup eating to the canned variety.

What could be more successful in taking the sting out of a sharp March wind than a steaming bowl of oyster stew full of butter and cream? Everyone ought to have at least one soup she's famous for: a hearty potato, a rich bean, a French onion, a lobster bisque, a clam chowder—some wonderful soup which can stand by itself as a main course for those times when you've gathered together a group of soup lovers, whom nothing could please more than an oversized bowl of soup, crusty bread, cheese, and fresh fruit.

We've included fish among the essentials of a repertoire because its possibilities for good eating are almost limitless, because so few people have explored those possibilities extensively enough, and be-



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cause many epicurean dishes can be made from inexpensive types of fish, with the judicious use of wines and herbs. Unfortunately, a vast majority of cooks think only of frying fish, which immediately eliminates scores of delicious entrées prepared by other methods.

How long is it since you have tasted tender, boiled salmon with a creamy sauce studded with eggs? Do you ever stuff filet of flounder with oysters and bake it? Do you take advantage of the shad season, to give shad lovers a real treat? Have you ever served creamed finnan haddie for a holiday breakfast?

SCALLOPED potatoes, baked beans, spaghetti, deviled eggs, cole slaw do sound rather homely. Make no mistake, we are not suggesting such dishes for the special occasions in your life—for the once-a-year party, when you want to outdo yourself, for the dinner at which you want to bowl over your husband's boss. But they can be served for countless parties of an informal nature, where you're serving fairly large groups of people, and need dishes that are easy to make and require little fussing over. But all of them do call for generous quantities of imaginative seasoning to bring out their flavor. They are mediocre unless implemented with relishes, sharp sauces, and other seasoning aids. So think of potatoes, spaghetti, eggs, cabbage, dried beans merely as the foundations for a noteworthy dish.

Hot breads do for a meal what icing does for a cake. They glamorize, and are a sort of smoke screen covering whatever may be lacking in the meal. Few can resist a homemade roll or a popover, light and tender with the breath of a warm oven still upon it.

Desserts are a study in themselves. But we'd like to crusade for a wider use of nature's bounty of wonderful fruits in simple desserts, which take little doing to contrive. Explore the possibilities of white and red wine with fruit; in some cases cooking with the wine; in others just soaking the fruit in it. Fruit doesn't have to be wrapped up in biscuit dough, or resting on pastry to be good. Maybe our claret-glazed pears will interest you enough to pursue this field further.

Individual Beef Casseroles with Sweet Potato Covers

1/3 cup flour
1½ teaspoons salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
1½ lbs. beef cubed in 1" pieces
3 tablespoons fat (bacon, beef, or vegetable shortening)
9 small onions, peeled
1 bunch carrots, pared and cut into knobs
1¼ cups water
½ cup prepared chili sauce
½ teaspoon sugar

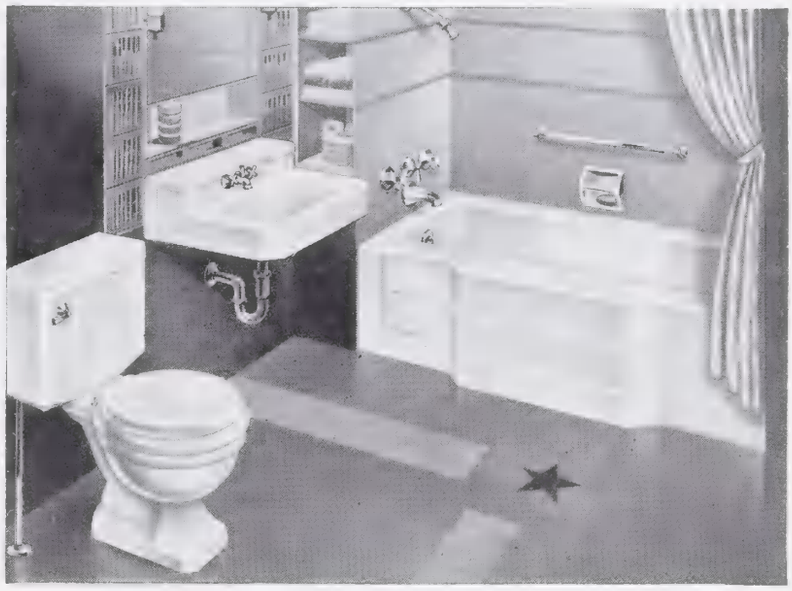
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Mix flour, salt, and pepper. Dredge each piece of beef with flour thoroughly. (Reserve any remaining flour for thickening stew later, if necessary.) Melt 2 tablespoons of fat in bottom of 4-quart pressure cooker. Chop one onion and sauté until soft. Remove onion. Add meat to cover bottom of cooker and sear on all sides. When brown, remove and sear remaining meat. Add remaining fat (and more if pan is dry) and cook a minute or two. Add 1 cup of water and allow to boil up and thicken slightly. Add all meat, whole onions (and sautéed onion) and carrots. Mix remaining water with chili sauce and sugar and add to stew. Put top on cooker. When air has been released, place weight on vent pipe. Cook 10 minutes when pointer reaches COOK position (or when 15 lbs. pressure is reached). Let cooker cool. If stew is too thin, thicken with remaining flour. Allow to cool and skim off any excess fat. Put in individual casseroles and top with Sweet Potato Covers. Serves 4.

Sweet Potato Covers

4 sweet potatoes
2 tablespoons butter
1 cup light cream

Cook potatoes in salted water. Drain, peel, and mash. Add butter and half of milk. Beat hard until light and fluffy. Add remaining milk if potatoes are not light. (Amount of milk depends on moistness of potatoes.) Taste and add more salt, if needed. Put stew in individual pottery casseroles. Pile sweet potatoes generously on top: bake 30 minutes so stew is well heated and cover brown.



Citrus Fruit Dressing

1 cup salad oil
¼ cup vinegar (cider or white)
½ teaspoon dry mustard
1½ teaspoons paprika
Dash of black pepper
1 teaspoon salt
2½ tablespoons sugar
Juice of 1 lemon
Juice of 1 orange
¾ teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce
Grated onion

Pour oil and vinegar into deep bowl and beat with egg beater until thick. Mix dry ingredients. Add to oil-vinegar mixture and beat vigorously. Then add lemon and orange juice, Worcestershire Sauce, grated onion. Makes about 1 pint.

Golden Popovers

2 cups flour
½ teaspoon salt
4 eggs
2 cups milk, less about 2 tablespoons
1 tablespoon melted butter

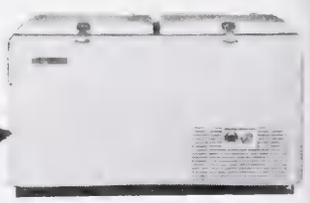
Sift flour and salt. Beat eggs until frothy. Add milk and flour alternately to eggs, until all has been added. Add shortening. Beat with egg beater a few minutes only. Pour into greased heavy Pyrex custard cups. Put on cooky sheet and bake in hot oven (450° F.) about 20 minutes, until they pop. Then reduce oven heat to 350° F. and cook about 15 minutes longer, or until they appear to be dry. Remove from oven and prick to release steam. Serve at once. Makes about 14 popovers.

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■ Huntington Botanical Gardens, San Marino, California. Cacti and other desert plants grow here all year. Garden is closed in October, but is worth a visit any other month.

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■ Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, Missouri. You can visit the Economic House (plants of commercial value) and desert plants under glass (fine collection) all year. Visit the garden from late July to mid-September to see the water lilies. Orchids are shown at their best in February: pinetum and narcissi in April; and chrysanthemums in November.

• Morris Arboretum, University of Pennsylvania, Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania. Visit the fern conservatory here all year. The rock wall display is at its best in April and May. June to October are the best months to see the rose garden.

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• Botanical Gardens, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Early June is the best time to see the wild roses, but you can see the foreign plants all summer, and the cacti all year.

• New York Botanical Garden, New York, N. Y. The time to see the daffodils (naturalized) at their best is late April. See the iris in late May; azaleas and rhododendrons, May and early June; daylilies, June and July. The flowering borders are at their best all summer. But be sure to see the rock garden from April to late fall. It is really at its best in April and May, however. The hemlock forest and conservatory displays are good to see all year.

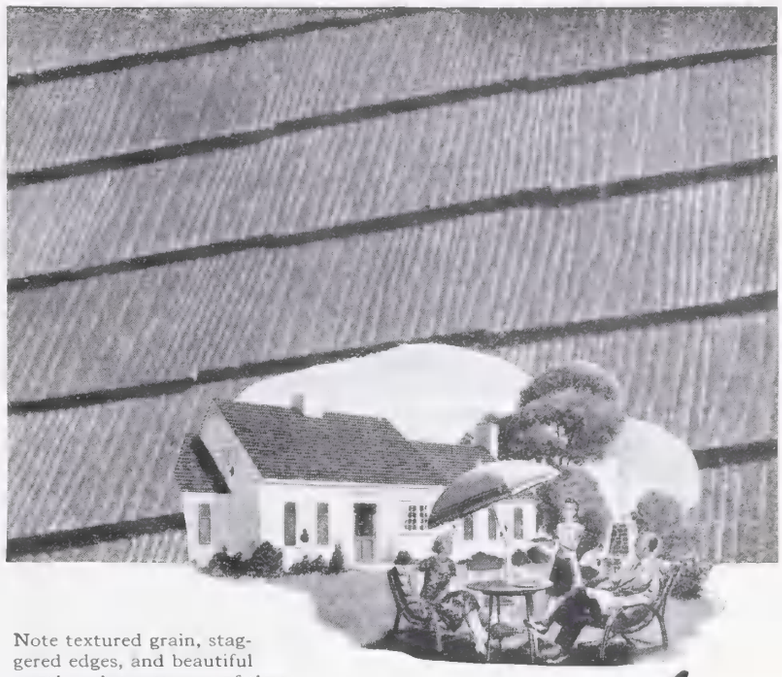
■ Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara, California. See the flowering meadow from March through June, when it is at its best.

○ U. S. Botanic Garden, Washington, D. C. The educational conservatory displays are at their best most of the year, but visit the outdoor display of bulbous plants, pansies, lilies, and rock-garden plants from mid-April to the end of September.

• Botanical Garden, University of California, Berkeley, California. Plants from South America, orchids, and cacti and other desert plants can be seen all year. February to May is the best time to see the rhododendrons and azaleas, and spring and summer are best for the large collection of wild roses.

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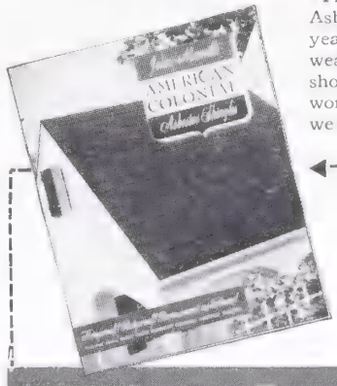
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HOW TO DEVELOP AN APPRECIATION OF ART

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human emotion. This is not to say that "fad" art is not always good art, but don't accept any whoopte do as a reliable gauge of greatness.

As you grow used to seeing good pictures you become aware of good composition, a far too devious subject to define in a few words. But it may help your understanding of how a picture is put together if you hark back to some of your own decorating experiences. You start by determining the feeling or purpose you want your room to have. Your skill as a decorator depends on how well you relate the rugs, furniture, fabrics, and accessories into a harmonious unity, yet manage to give the room enough variety so that it is constantly interesting. Similarly the artist's purpose in putting a picture together is to create a design through which he can express what is on his mind and in his heart. His skill lies in how he combines colors, lines, masses, and space to convey his message. The effectiveness of his painting depends on the relationships between these things, on that same sense of unity with variety that keeps your room from becoming monotonous. A good picture, like a good room, looks all of a piece, but you will see in it lines of varied heights and masses separated by space. If it were composed of lines of all one height or of a solid unspaced mass, you wouldn't be tempted to look at it. And unless the artist can catch and hold your interest in what you see, his picture is like a book which no one reads. It has no one to tell its message to.

TECHNIQUE, the way in which the artist draws his strokes or puts his paint on paper or canvas, is another element to watch. But if you are inexperienced at judging art, technique can sell you down the river. A perfectly turned out piece of drawing or a meticulously painted canvas may look so good that you forget that the artist has nothing to say. The picture is nothing more than an exhibition of virtuosity. The greatest artists are not always masters of technique. Don't be misled by tricky techniques, either. They are no assurance that the art is occult, highbrow, and hence incomprehensible except to a

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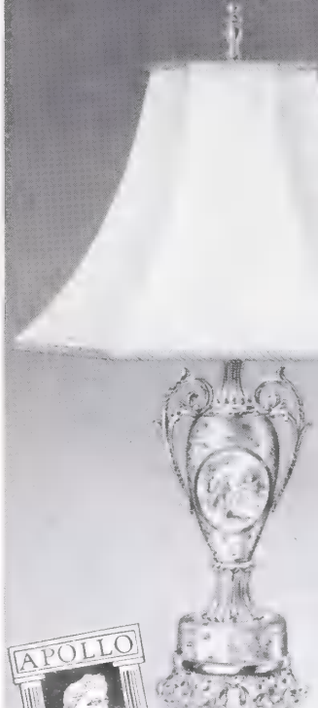
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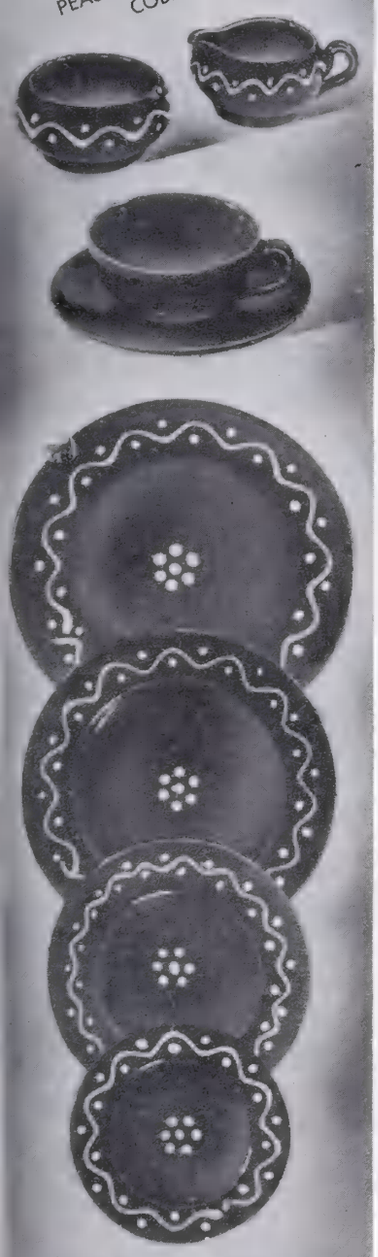
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select few. If a painting has been sandpapered, walked over while still wet, or subjected to similar high jinks, it is more probable than not that these techniques are there to cover a vacuum.

Once you have begun to understand art, you will want to buy it to live with in your own home. And at this point, when you contemplate parting with your money, you will really put your critical powers to the test. That's why shopping for art is a splendid way to develop and test your appreciation of it.

Contrary to general opinion, good art is not necessarily beyond the average pocketbook. The recognized greats are costly, but there are many unknown good artists whose work is true art and whose prices are low. (That is no consolation to the unrecognized artist but it is a fact.) But by all means set your sights for an original work. To own an original is to enjoy a sense of communication with the artist which even the finest reproduction can't give you.

HOW shall you begin to buy? Shop the market for art as you would for anything else. But go to the art dealers or directly to the artists. Unfortunately, with rare exceptions, you will find no good art in home furnishings shops or department stores. They are the home of the assembly line chromo. Look beyond the subject matter, beyond color and technique. Choose what says the most to you, and disregard the opinions of friends and neighbors. The fear of what other people think has already kept too many daubs hanging on parlor walls.

So far as the decorative effect of a painting is concerned, forget about period painting for period rooms. The date on a painting does not determine where it shall be hung. What matters, decoratively, is whether the picture fits in with the mood or over-all atmosphere of the room you want to enjoy it in. A painting may even "belong" by virtue of its shock appeal, like an American primitive in a modern room.

And suppose you do make a mistake! You can put it down to experience, that amazing power by which we grow.



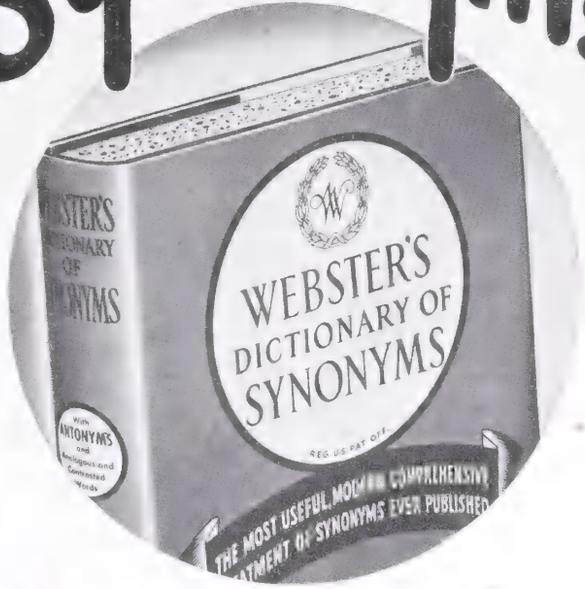
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swiftly-changing modern art, leaving that to the "intellectuals" and the "lunatic fringe" of the Left Bank and Greenwich Village. Those who *did* buy were thought by those who did not to be "putting on the dog." American art had hardly come of age, and there was a Babbitt-Dodsworth snobbery against things European. Museums had not yet begun to beckon or to participate in community living, but stood like mausoleums to be entered with voices hushed. For most Americans "art appreciation" was considered the prerogative of the blue-stocking, the woman's club, and the long-haired aesthete.

The exclusiveness of art, however, has gradually disappeared during the past 20 years, speeded finally by multiple factors. It has been popularized in magazines otherwise devoted to clothes or cookery, as well as those which make it their special province. It has invaded advertising, interpreting the meaning of a symphony or dignifying a patent medicine, so that names like Vertes and Dali are common currency. Museums have withdrawn their "Keep Off" signs and discarded their velvet ropes, simultaneously reinstalling and rearranging their collections and broadening their scope to embrace showings of films and sales of Christmas cards. Government sponsorship stimulated a wide circulation of painting and sculpture across the nation. Finally, American painting matured, reaching a renascence in the past decade.

THOSE in the highest income brackets have kept on buying in the six-figure category—a Renoir, for instance, was sold a few months ago for $175,000—but the past few years have witnessed an astonishing boom in the picture business on a lower price level. A survey in *Art News* showed that in two years over four and one-half million dollars was spent in 17 New York galleries for about 7,800 paintings—the average price about $570. About a third of this amount came from the pockets of "new collectors," the flattering term bestowed by art dealers on persons making a virgin purchase.

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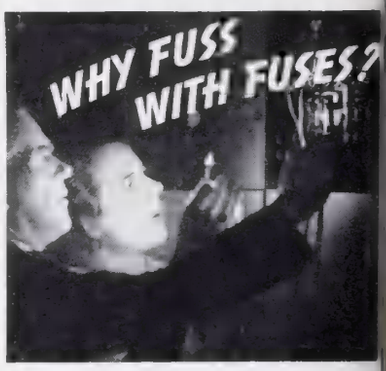
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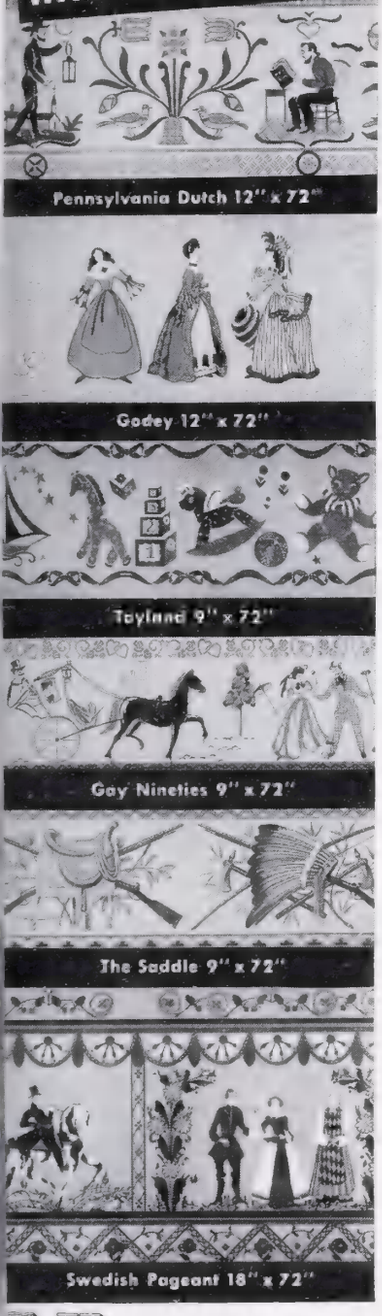
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Art, like period furniture, is no longer the exclusive property of museums and millionaires.

THERE still are, however, many otherwise cultivated people who are afraid to buy paintings. They know that what they hang on their walls—like the books on their shelves at which guests cast furtive, investigatory glances—will reveal their taste and personalities. They are hesitant to make this revelation, and they balk at what they fear may be a costly mistake. This block of uncertainty may be easily hurdled by the sensible expedient of beginning slowly and in the lower brackets. With the picture boom, dealers have become realistic and business-like. They still take only their big-time clients into the inner sanctums, but they no longer patronize their smaller prospects nor lead them around by the bankroll. They have, many of them, switched from highbrow gibberish to sound advice. Not all prices are quoted in whispers; often labels function as price tags, too. Gallery-goers have become more hardboiled, admitting that a visit to a gallery justifiably may be as inconclusive as window-shopping. Moreover, a woman who customarily tries on 20 dresses before she orders one does not feel embarrassed at assuming an "I'm-just-looking-thanks" attitude in an art gallery.

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As a brand-name gives a consumer confidence, so does the time-tested approval of such artists as Brueghel, Titian, and Degas. So collectors sometimes start with color reproductions of accepted masterpieces. But these are, at best, poor substitutes and they are never "your own" in the sense that an original is.

An easy and more fruitful initial move is the purchase of a print or drawing. Low price tags are not their only virtue, for such graphic work makes an excellent introduction to line and form and tone, uncomplicated by color. The immediacy of the artist's vision, unaltered and uncorrected by reworking, and the sense of being able to glance over his shoulder while he creates, make drawings the special and continuing delight of many collectors.

There are a hundred opportunities to make a beginning with the purchase of a painting by a local artist, found in an art association show or a museum annual exhibition. For the uncertain this takes more courage, but the experience is cheap in terms of dollars and cents and will pay large dividends.

EVEN the most perspicacious collector is likely to outgrow his early choices—for the pendulum of personal taste swings in a wide arc—but the wise man capitalizes on what he learns. Sometimes a picture grown tedious may be exchanged, but usually the collector keeps it for nostalgic reasons. Color reproductions inevitably pall when they hang with an original and their common path is to the children's rooms or perhaps a temporary detour into a guest room. Drawings and prints usually follow a different route, moving from place of honor in the living-room into a hall, or perhaps a study or library or even a bedroom. Like small canvases or little watercolor sketches they often look better in these more intimate surroundings, for they can be looked at closely. Seen informally, they make no pretensions at grandeur.

There has been a lot of nonsense talked about how only a specific kind of painting belongs in a given room: e.g. an eighteenth-century picture *must* be hung in a room furnished with eighteenth-century furniture.

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simile atmosphere of his time, or that modern architecture demands only the most advanced abstractions. Often juxtapositions of old and new enhance the excellence of each and bring into sharp relief the wondrous changes and reversions of man's vision and inclination.

There are certain paintings, of course, which are not suitable for an ordinary living-room because of their scale, their size, their subject matter, or their insistence. But it is almost axiomatic that a *good* painting of any style will fit in any well-furnished room. Even denied that desirable attribute of sufficient space, good paintings transcend poor hanging.

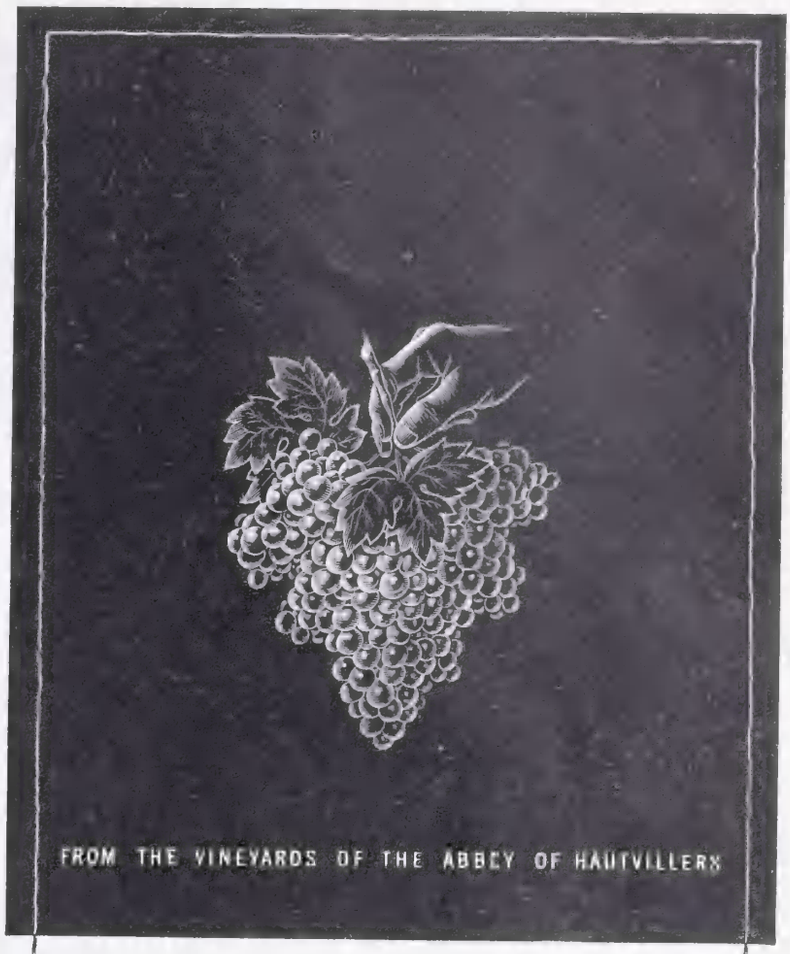
Quality is the only gauge, and taste the only guide. The same instinct which tells you pink carnations look well in one corner and hideous in another applies to the hanging of pictures. The one theorem is that an inferior painting will be more disastrous to a well-decorated room than poor furnishings will be to a good painting—and it will give away its owner's lack of taste and sensibility far more quickly.

THERE is no reason why people should fear trusting their artistic judgments. Perhaps, buffaloed by the jargon of critics and art historians, they feel its understanding requires special and extraneous knowledge. But this is not true. All that is necessary is an understanding of the painter's language, as music requires familiarity with the musician's dialect. Though we use our eyes constantly, they are the least educated of our senses. "They like what they know" is closer to truth than its reverse. The only way to recognize a good painting is by looking at it again and again and, best of all, by living with it.

Its language is visual—color, form, and line—arranged in infinite variations and shifting accents to create an image. Though it may reach heart and head, its approach is only through the eye.

The test of a good painting—in its simplest and ultimate terms—is whether it has successfully used its own language to give a complete expression which impels visual pleasure and an emotional (aesthetic, if you will) response different from that which the subject itself would evoke. Mere description will not stand the test. It will grow as wearisome as the conversation of an acquaintance who speaks only in platitudes.

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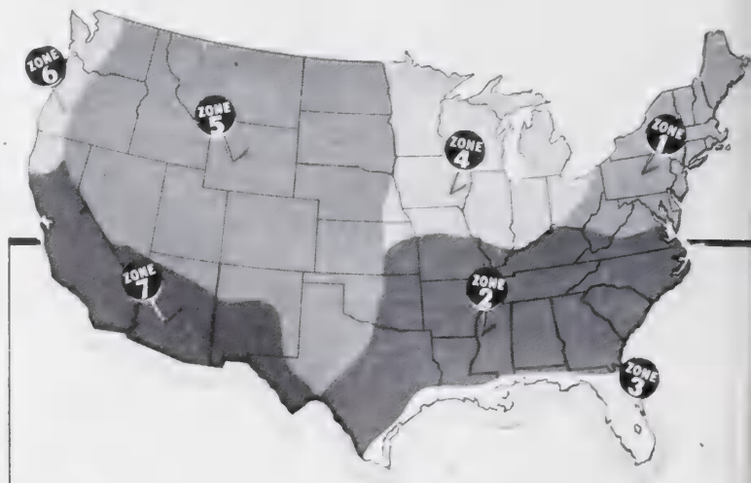
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This is HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S Gardening Zone Map of the United States. It is divided into seven main zones, determined not only by temperatures, but by soil, rainfall, and other factors that bear on what you can grow successfully. Whenever gardening procedures depend upon locale, we try to give the best advice for each zone, indicating the zone by number. Find your own zone number on the map so that you may apply our observations and reminders here and elsewhere in the magazine to your garden.

We gardeners hear a lot about our Department of Agriculture's wor on insecticides and weed killers, but not many of us are aware tha some of the new varieties of vegetables, fruits, and flowers we'l growing this spring were developed by United Sta[illegible] research me Most of these plants are being introduced to gardeners throug nurseries and seed houses, and that is why we aren't aware of the origin.

Here are some of the new U. S. Department of Agriculture introdu tions that are well worth trying in our gardens: Pan-America tomat a cross between popular Marglobe and a disease-resistant Peruvia type, a heat-resisting leaf lettuce called Slobolt, and a cold-resista early pea, Wando. Of special interest, too, is a new strain of pere nial phlox that you can grow from seed, much as you would a biennia You plant it one fall and it blooms the next, in a wonderful range colors. The phlox is still in the trial stage, but seed may be availab next year.

One day last November when we visited Bobbink & Atkins Nurse in New Jersey, we saw an extensive lath house full of balled a burlapped trees and shrubs. We are looking forward to seeing the same plants in full bloom later this month—at the International Flow

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HOW TO LEAVE HOME AND LIKE IT

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clouds, and the international air routes are estimated to cover 300,000,000 miles. There has been, according to B. E. White, Vice-President of the American Express Company, and an authority on such matters, a 50 per cent increase during the past year—more than doubling the pre-war networks.

And if those figures seem staggering, bear in mind also that the airlines are being hard put to keep up with demand for trans-ocean flights, despite the introduction of larger and faster planes.

New standards of transportation, including radar in ships, trains, planes and automobiles, augur much greater safety in travel.

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Among the many new ideas being developed for the greater safety of the automobile driver is an "anti-dozing at the wheel" gadget, which, the moment pressure or weight of the hand is eased from the wheel, sets off a low sounding



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Automobile radar equipment is r the prevention of collision dur- g night or foul-weather driving. Any obstructions ahead will be noted, and the driver warned in sufficient time to avoid accident. These are two notable advances in the safety and comfort of automobile travel and scheduled, if things go according to plan, for most 1948 models.



YEAR ROUND TRAVEL

First steps in planning for travel the year round—a move that should have been made lo these many years—are now being taken by hotel and resort officials and national travel authorities.

Seems that only those (the traveler, mainly) who sought the sun knew that somewhere, every day, the sun is shining. Officialdom finally has caught up with the knowledge and is suggesting (a) staggered vacations and (b) that resorts, hotels, and communities throw off the fetters of "open" and "closed" seasons and plan for the comfort and entertainment of visitors throughout the year, with consequent less crowding during former "peak" seasons.

Enlarged programs of activities from hunting to tennis already are reported from such famous spots as Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Augusta, Aiken, Sea Island, and all National Parks; and from Acapulco, Tampico, Cuernavaca, Taxco, Puebla, and Mexico City south of the Rio Grande.

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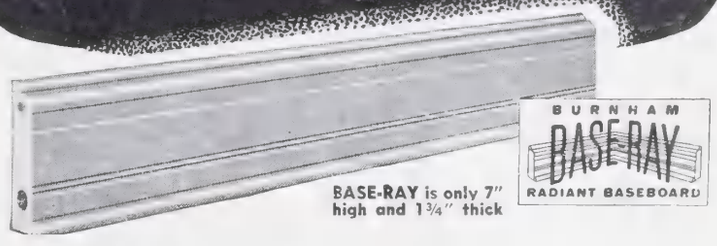


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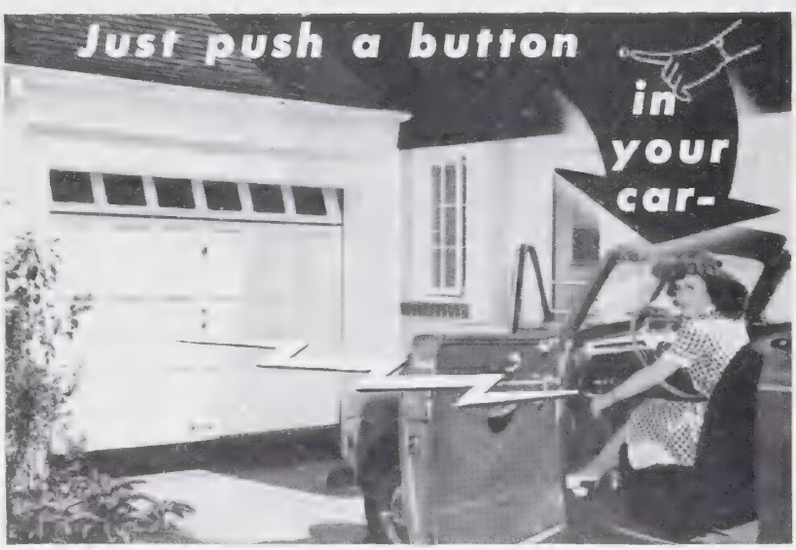
Today many new ideas are brewing in the building equipment field, and if you are house-minded at all, you need to know about them. For a great many of them are not just familiar merchandise with new styling, but building products and materials completely new in what they do for your house and for comfortable, care-free living in it. They are beginning to reach dealers now after the long, slow change-over from wartime to peacetime production. And they are important to you in your myriad problems of maintaining or improving an older house as well as in building a new one.



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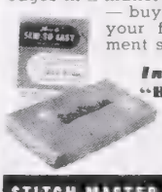
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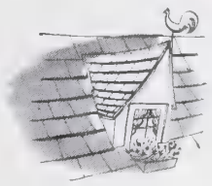


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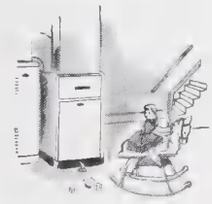
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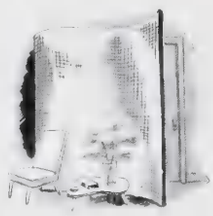
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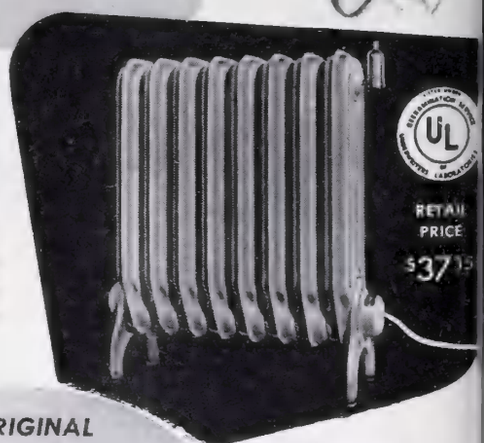


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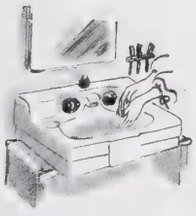
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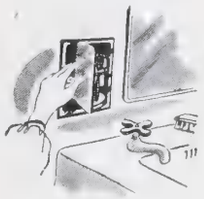
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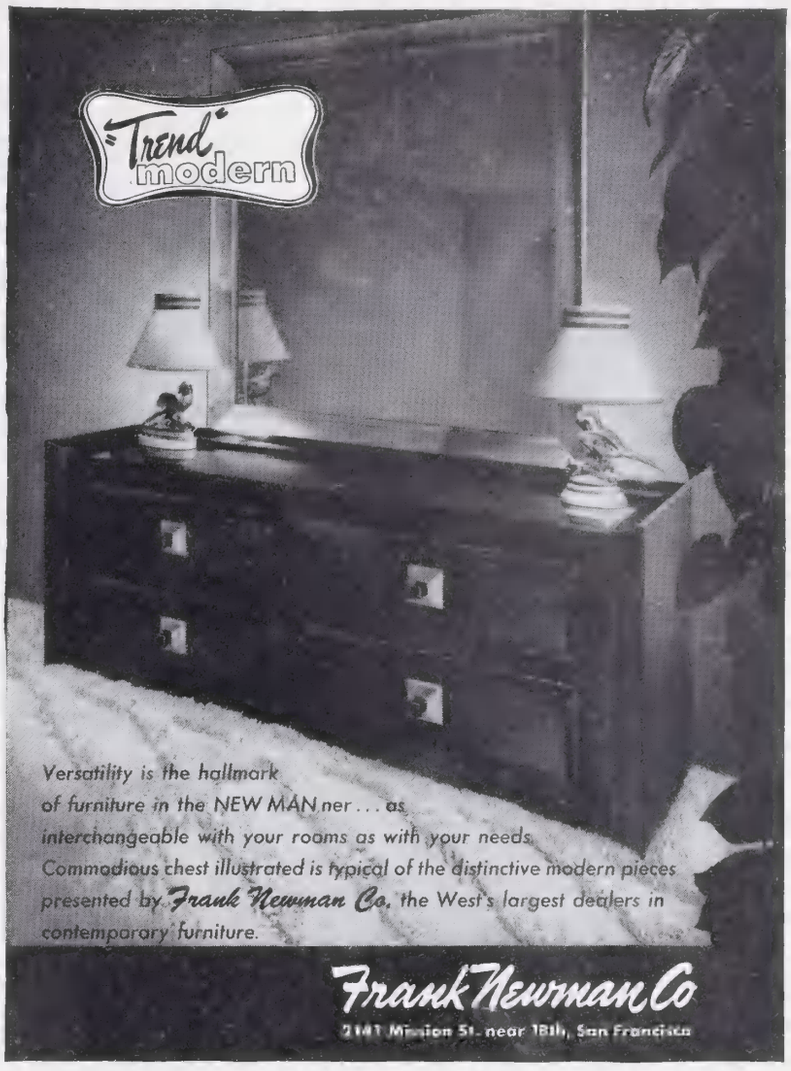
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ARE YOU SUSPICIOUS OF THE OPERA?

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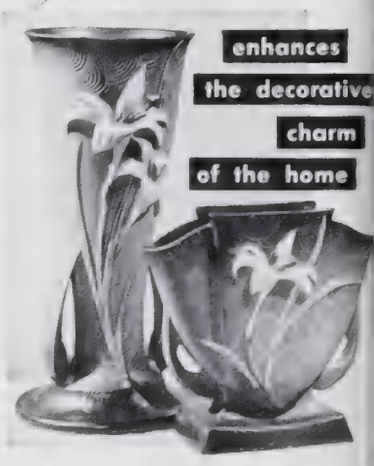
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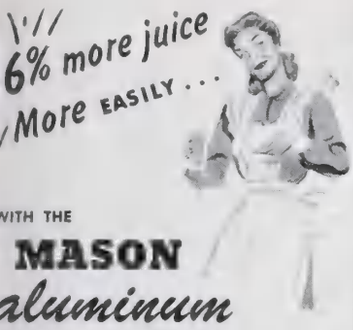
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THOSE WONDERFUL EUONYMUS

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the winter, the new leaves pushing off the old ones in the spring.

The most useful deciduous ones are the wing-barked *Euonymus alatus* and its variety *compactus*.

Zone 2—The South

The various forms of *Euonymus radicans* are useful in the Upper South in the same ways in which they are employed in the North, but they are not planted to any great extent except in large plantings by landscape architects. One trouble is that Bermuda grass gets into plantings in the sun and is difficult to eradicate.

In the shade they are superb but not too often seen, largely because there are so many other more showy climbers that winter-creepers are not too much noticed. Exceptions are the small-leaf forms, *minimus* and *kewensis*, exquisite little things that appeal mightily to southern gardeners because of their instinctive search for small things in a world of too-large ones.

Euonymus patens was introduced to the southern states some 20 years ago and is still going strong. However, it is not very much in favor in the mountain sections, where winter spoils the fruits and foliage by January.

Deciduous euonymus are good in the South, too, but the profusion of other material has excluded them from general use.

Zone 3—Florida and the Gulf strip

Euonymus japonicus, in many striking horticultural forms, is well liked as a strong accent in upper parts of the Gulf coast. Protection against root knot by a heavy mulch, and against several species of scale insects are requirements.

Euonymus radicans, really a temperate shrub, is occasionally seen.

Zone 4—The Middle West

Among the many kinds of euonymus there are three species which are popularly grown here—*radicans, patens* and *alatus*. Of the several varieties of *radicans*, the Bigleaf wintercreeper and the Coloratus type are popular. Rather

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infrequently the evergreen euonymus gets infested with scale.

For a hedge with glossy foliage, which may be trained three or four feet high, grow *Euonymus patens*. Here its lustrous foliage is retained up to December.

Euonymus alatus and its dwarf form, *compactus*, are popular here as specimens and hedge plants, and Strawberrybush (*E. americanus*), burningbush or wahoo (*E. atropurpureus*) and *Euonymus bungeanus* are other deciduous types used.

Zone 5—The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain states

Several species of euonymus do well in Zone 5. Most commonly seen is the *europaeus* species, that develops into a large shrub or small tree and with age is loaded with fruits in the fall and winter. The *atropurpureus* is a much better plant as the flowers and fruits are more colorful, and it fruits at a much younger age. The *yedoensis* and *sachalinensis* species grow here but seem to be more subject to winterkill. *Euonymus alatus* and its compact form are fine.

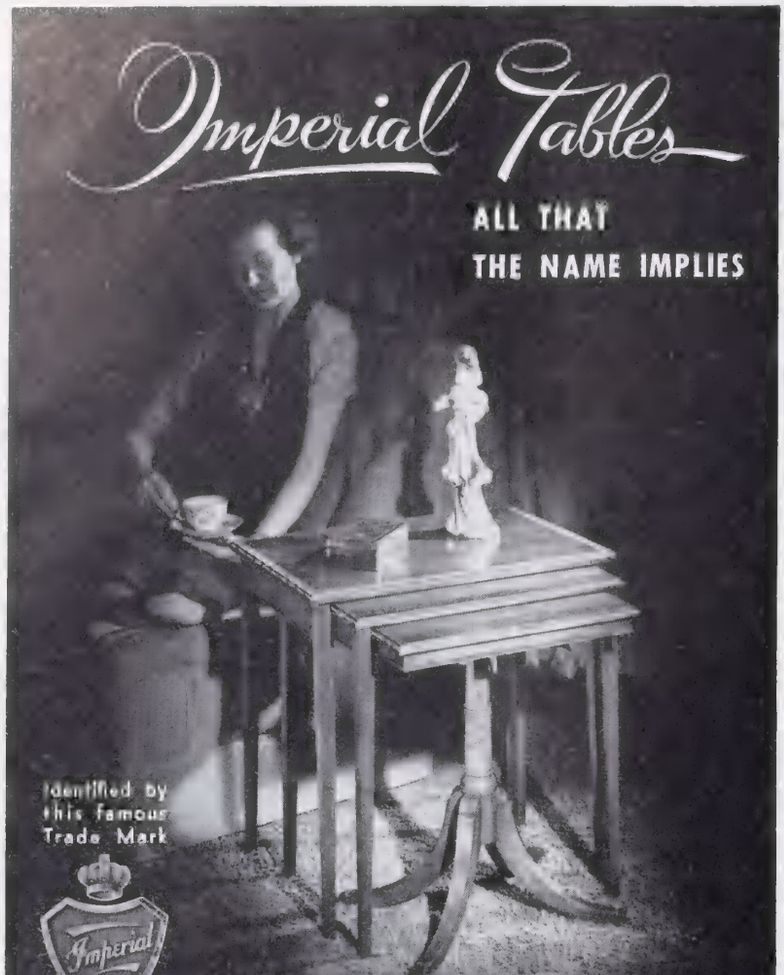
The wintercreepers do well on the north sides of buildings or in protected places, and occasionally will tolerate full sun without winterburning. *Euonymus patens*, which is so useful a little farther east, is good here only in places protected from the winter sun.

Zone 6—The Northwest

The evergreen euonymus are valuable garden plants, thoroughly hardy and tolerant of almost all conditions of shade and moisture, although preferring light, well-drained soil in full sun. Included in this evergreen group here are *patens* and *japonicus*, that in many other sections of the country are only semi-evergreen, or are too tender to grow. Several deciduous types, including *alatus* and *europaeus*, are grown mainly for their fall color.

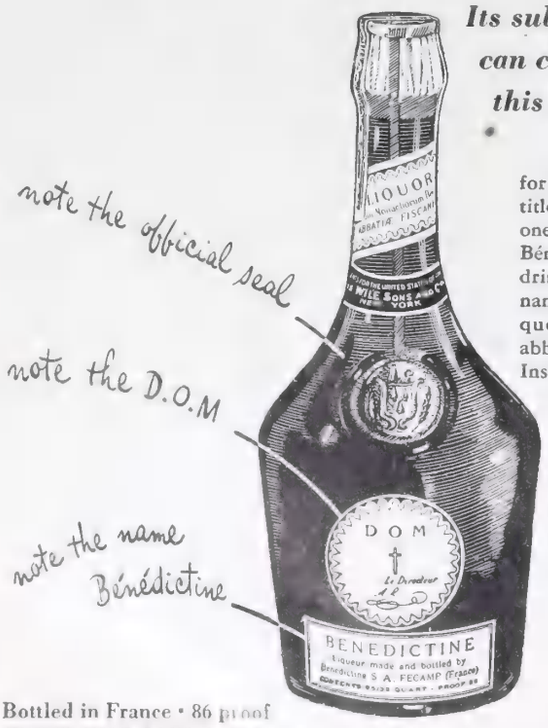
Zone 7—California and the Southwest

Euonymus is not generally favored for California. The evergreen sorts are inclined to mildew or become infested with scale and mealy bug. In the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys, however, the Japanese euonymus (*japonicus*), especially variegated-leaf varieties, are grown to some extent. The boxleaf euonymus (*japonicus microphyllus* or *pulchella*) is planted as a low hedge in the central valleys and in the remainder of our area it is grown as a pot or tub plant.



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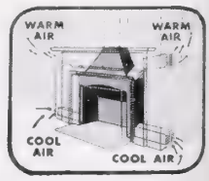
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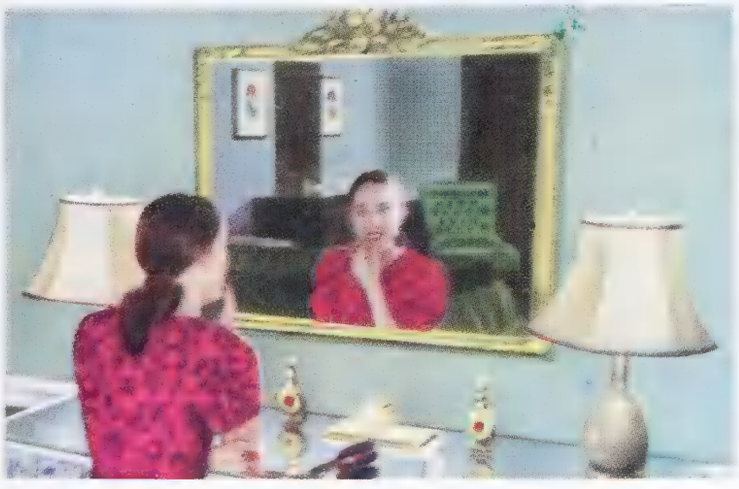


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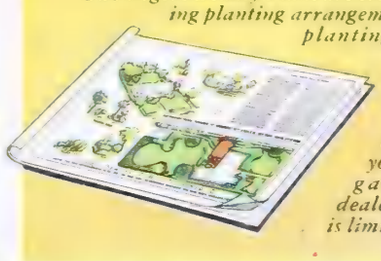
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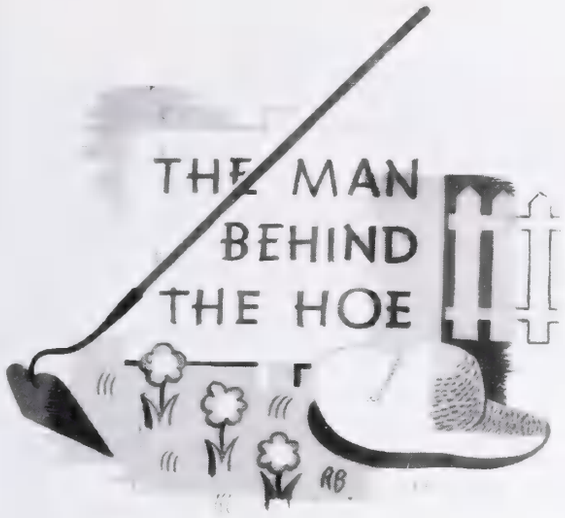
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FOR you gardeners who live within reasonable distance of the metropolitan centers, the coming spring will make its debut this month in a blaze of glory at the great flower shows. Of these the International in New York City is probably the largest, with Boston not far behind and Philadelphia also in the premier group. A big effort is being made in Chicago to rival this eastern league, and it is also likely that several of the western shows will acquire added importance.

Last year, when preparations for resumption of the shows were being made, pessimists were skeptical as to whether good shows could be organized so soon after the disruption of wartime and whether the public was ready for them. On both counts they were overthrown. Exhibitors and officials made prodigious efforts, the press co-operated, and attendance broke all records.

Taking all the circumstances into account, those record-breaking attendances, after a lapse of several years, seem to indicate clearly that America is more garden-conscious by far than ever before—which is another way of saying that we have become more highly civilized—in one way, at least.

It has been remarked that the standard of living in any country may be judged by the consumption of vegetables. In this test, we are easily ahead of the rest of the world, for nowhere else are vegetables so plentiful or so good. Few American gardens are without their rows of salad materials, beans, tomatoes, "greens," and peas.

Trade exhibitors in the spring shows are well aware of this and find their booths of great help in promoting the introductions of new vegetable varieties. New tools, books, insecticides, and fungicides, aids or appliances of all sorts are also offered at the shows, which leads to the thought that "garden show" would be a better term than "flower show."

There seems to be some divergence of opinion, even within official government ranks, as to the necessity—apart from the desirability—of a drive for greater food production in home gardens. Undoubtedly many countries have not yet returned to normal agriculture, and some of them must continue in 1947 to receive food from America. The United States Department of Agriculture has outlined

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an over-all reduction in crop acreage; and the work of UNRRA has so diminished that it is folding up and relinquishing the rest of its distribution to the IRO (International Relief Organization). There are hopeful signs of the progress of peace, but the question now arises: will home gardeners, relieved of economic and humanitarian pressures, continue to grow vegetables?

Probably the question is already answered, as there was apparently no falling off in 1946, though that was the first year of peace. Many who learned the rewards of the vegetable garden through the victory garden movement will never again be without its kitchen-door supply of first quality throughout the season. Those who are fortunate enough to have a freezing unit, or who have a frozen-food locker, stand to benefit still further.

Over wide areas in the East last year, a cool, wet August unhappily provided ideal conditions for the spread of such diseases as tomato blight, and gardeners are already wondering whether they should take the precaution of ordering fungicide supplies, especially as some shortage of these is indicated. Undoubtedly the spores of the disease have been widely spread, but copper dusts or Bordeaux sprays will protect plants against their fatal effects if another adverse season should come. The fact is, however, that such seasons are the exception in most parts of these United States. And there were cases last year of remarkable recovery of tomato plants when the weather turned to its normal fine and dry course.

So it really comes to this: Those who are willing to take a chance on the weather will carry on as usual, while those who want crop insurance will be ready with a good fungicide or try to find varieties resistant to blight and other diseases. Some resistance is said to have been shown by the fairly new tomato variety, Pan America, and the still more recent introduction, Garden State, which bids fair to rival the popular Rutgers.

In some parts of the country the first, or even the second, spraying of fruit trees will be another task for March. These two are necessary before blossoms appear, the first to destroy scale insects and aphids, the second to kill the cankerworm and certain other pests. Conditions vary so greatly in the different states and climatic zones that it is well to ask for, and to follow, the recommendations of local authorities such as the state agricultural experiment station, which provides this advisory service without charge.

Most people who have some fruit trees in the garden are aware of the necessity for spraying, pruning, and giving proper attention in general to the above-ground parts of their trees. Too often it is forgotten that trees need organic matter and food from the soil just like other plants. Large



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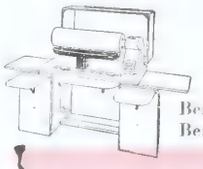
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A LIFE OF WHOSE OWN?

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breakfast. A chance to play hot jazz at midnight and wander into the kitchen at 3 A.M. to make waffles. Even the chance to burn David's toast again and hear him complain about the coffee. Every morning we have perfect coffee. Even perfection gets to be a pretty monotonous affair.

I guess living with the family, like modern art, is a state of mind. The food is fine and the talk is good and even the advice comes in handy. Families are fine to have around the house, but it should be by invitation.

I tried to explain it to my father at the breakfast table the other morning.

"You're a fine, sweet, interesting man," I told him kindly, "and it's not that we're both not terribly fond of you. It's only that—well—we'd like a house and a life with our own monogram. It's extremely important, you know, for young people to lead a life of their own."

There was a long silence while he buttered his toast. "It isn't anything personal," I said hurriedly. "It's only that . . ."

"Don't worry," Father said. "I was temporarily speechless at the preoccupation of one's children with their own little reactions. It simply never occurs to either one of you that your mother and I may be suffering as much as you."

I stared at him. "Well!" I said.

"Listen," Father said, "don't look so injured. You keep talking about freedom of speech. Okay. You told me your side. Now it's my turn."



"For instance," I said stiffly.

"For instance," Father said. "Seven nights a week the library swarms with your playmates. I have to take to the bedroom to get the buzzing out of my ears, and you two complain about *lebensraum*."

"I don't see," I began, "what . . ."

"Our needs are simple," Father said, ignoring me. "The living room once a week. The one book you haven't lent to your friends. One evening free of Bouncing Bergmans and Hangnail Hemingways."

"Now, listen—" I said nervously.

"In short," Father said, "How about a life of our own for your mother and me?"

"Well!" I said, staring at him. "I must say—"

"Nothing personal," Father said, grinning at me. "You're both fine, sweet, interesting people. We're so devoted to you that we'll do anything to find you an apartment."

"You don't have to sound so eager," I said hollowly.

Father reached over and tilted up my chin. "Cheer up now, angel cake. Everybody's on your side. I'm just tired of hearing people say to you, 'Poor kids, they have to live with their family.' It's high time somebody said, 'Poor people, they have to live with their children.'"

David came steaming down the hall, his briefcase flying out behind him. He paused in flight to graze the top of my head.

"What are we doing tonight?" he said.

I hardly paused. "You're taking me out to dinner."

"How come?" he said. "Cook's night out?"

"No," I said, grinning across at Father. "Family's night in."



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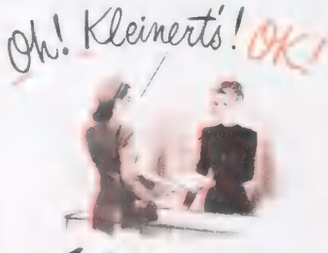


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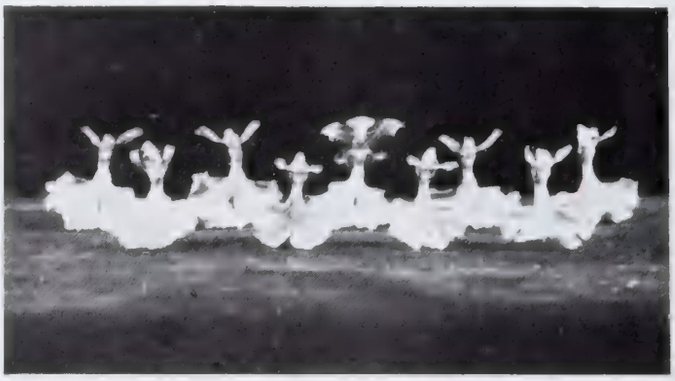
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How to use a BOTANICAL GARDEN

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you could have turned to a botanical garden for help. Lots of people did, but not nearly as many as those who wanted answers and just never thought of the botanical garden as a horticultural Beatrice Fairfax.

Yet, at most of the larger gardens in various parts of the country, there are experts who are glad to help. Even if you live a long distance away, a letter will bring a reply. The men and women who spend their days in the moist warm air of the greenhouses or the high-ceilinged libraries and herbaria of botanical gardens are there to serve the public, as well as the world of science and the business of horticulture.

It's really time we took advantage of what botanical gardens have to offer us, whether we are amateur gardeners with forty-foot lawns and flower borders or the proud possessors of city window-boxes.

There are all kinds of botanical gardens in this land of ours: large educational centers like the New York Botanical Garden, The Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and the Missouri Botanical Garden; planted or natural areas specializing in trees, of which the Arnold Arboretum in Massachusetts is the most outstanding; and small botanical gardens displaying only a few special features such as tropical plants, wildflowers, or roses.

We've been making a survey of the botanical gardens and arboretums of the United States, and find there are many more in existence than we had dreamed: about 89 of all kinds. Some are not complete in the services they offer. Others are so large it would take weeks to extract all their usable lay information. Many are noted for some special feature or features which could be practically applied to a home garden somewhere. And all have a desire to serve.

To enlarge your garden horizons here are four specific suggestions:

1. Locate the botanical garden nearest you, visit it often, especially at those times of the year when its special features are at their prime. (See "Specialities of the House" on page 94). You'll be amazed what inspiration you'll get.

2. Telephone, call in person, or write to the botanical garden when you have a problem you can't solve alone. You can even send specimens of plants to the larger ones, asking for identification and sources of seed or plants.

3. Join a botanical garden and receive its monthly literature. Attend its lectures and classes if you live near enough. It usually costs about $10 a year to become a member, and your subscription helps support the semi-public institutions.

4. Visit the botanical gardens of other regions than your own, when you are on a holiday or business trip. There are fashions in horticulture, as in clothes (though not as extreme, to be sure). You may find something you never would have thought of at home.

To find out where all the botanical gardens and arboretums are located, consult the Brooklyn Botanic Record for July, 1938, which lists the botanic gardens of the whole world. You may find this volume in your local library, or you can buy one ($2.50) from the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Brooklyn 25, N. Y. From it you can decide where to go on a botanical tour. If you are traveling for other purposes, ask your hotel clerk, travel agency, or somebody at City Hall in whatever city you happen to be for advice.

We were surprised at the variety and numbers of questions asked of botanical gardens by laymen, not counting the many scientific inquiries. Here are a few samples. (N.B. all were answered.)

"How do you make a lawn?"

"The leaves on my begonia are dropping off. What can I do?"

"Where can I get a hardy English ivy?"

"The leaves of my tomato plants are curling. Does this harm the fruit?"

"What insecticide should I use for rhododendrons?"

"Corn borers are in my dahlias. How can I get rid of them?"

"What's the right time to take lilies indoors for winter?"

"Can I propagate amaryllis at home?"

"Please send me the name of the plant which is enclosed."

"What is wrong with this fern specimen?"

"Will the turf daisy grow in California?

Opening the daily mail is not dull at a botanical garden. Dr. George T. Moore at the Missouri Botanical Garden recently had a request from Leyden, Holland, for a cutting which cost $45 to transport by air. A Yonkers man wrote him for some *Aloe vera* leaves, a specific remedy for radium and x-ray burns. They are grown at the Botanical Garden.

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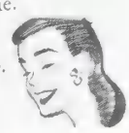
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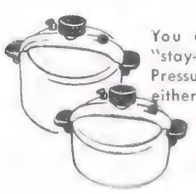


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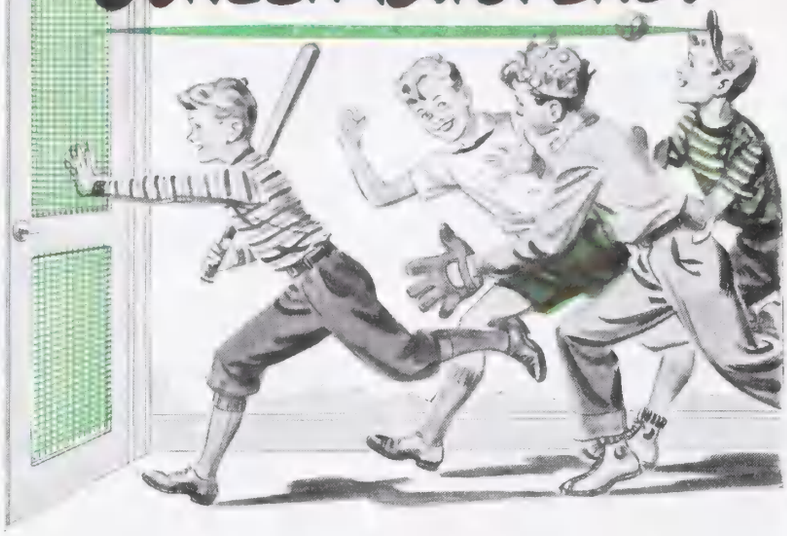


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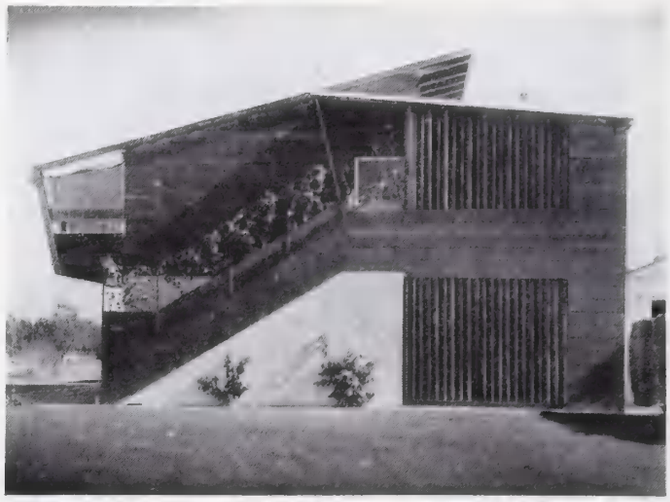
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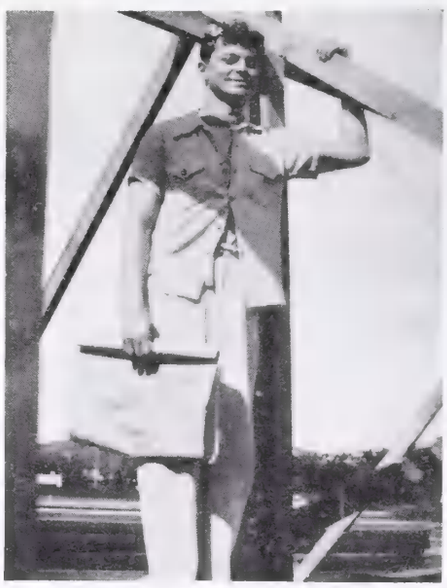


● This entrance side of George Hyam's garage-apartment shows how he raised the front half of the roof higher than the back to include clerestory windows. Louvres screen kitchen porch, first floor laundry

His Garage Houses More Than A Car

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cabinets. The corner next to the fireplace was partly screened off as a sleeping alcove (it could be curtained easily), and there's a separate dressing room and bath behind it. He put the kitchen where it adjoins the front as well as back door and dining corner. Downstairs he included a laundry and servant's suite with its own entrance

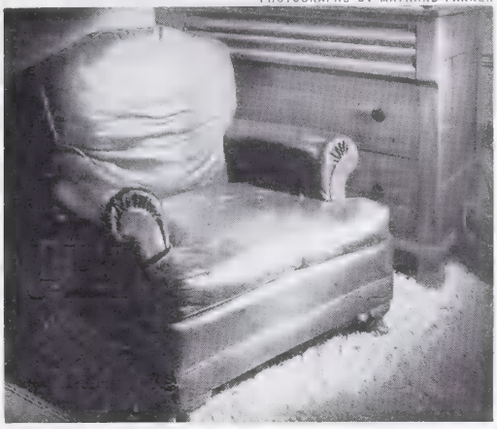


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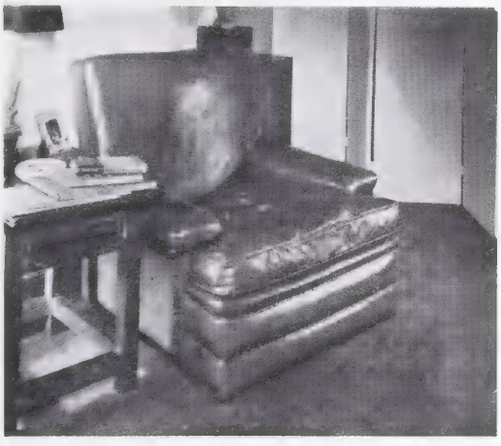
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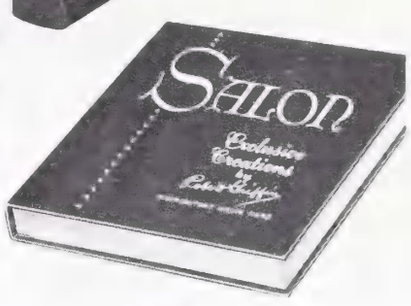
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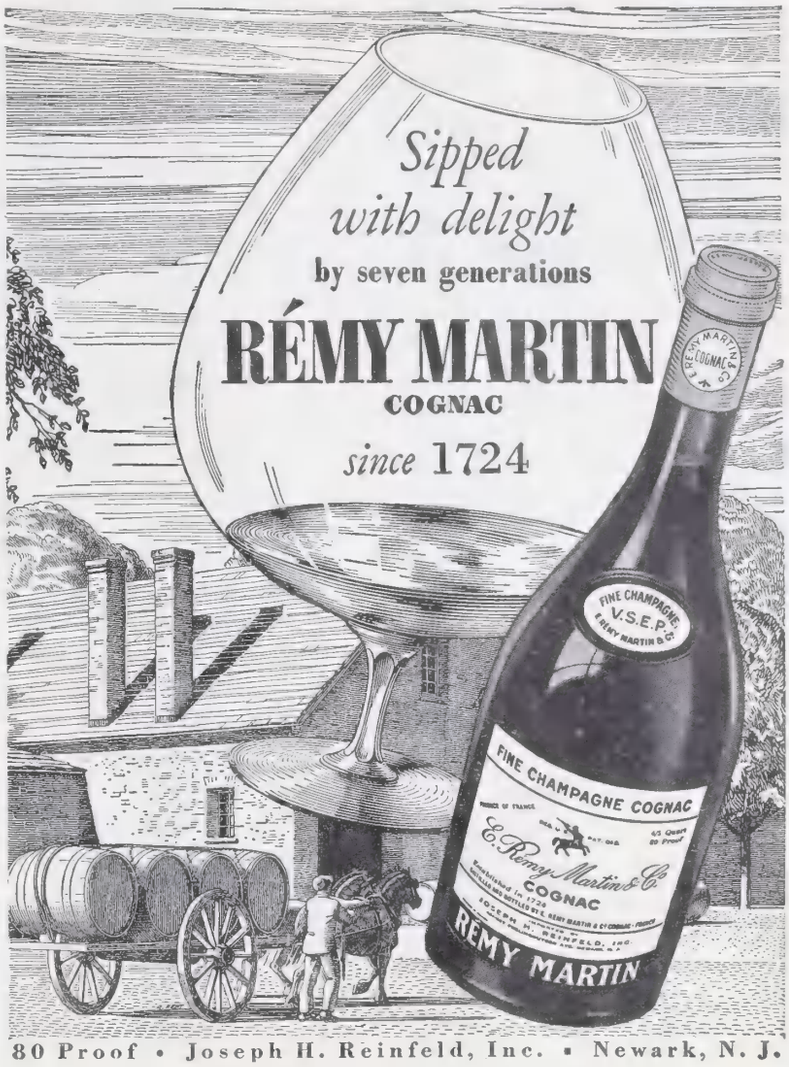
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though none as urgent as the saving of lives and injury, of course. Some cities are beginning to see the advantages—as witnessed by the fact that in 1946 the total investment by American cities in modernized street lighting was estimated at $25,000,000 by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association. But there is a big job to be done by citizens in calling attention to the need for improved lighting, in pressing for action, and in being willing to pay for it. That means *you*.

Advantages of Better Street Lighting

1. Reduction of night traffic accidents

The better-lighted cities of the country have proved that they could stop killing people with automobiles at night by installing modern safety lighting. Detroit, one of the best lighted cities in the world, demonstrated it dramatically as long ago as 1932. Then, as an economy measure, Detroit reduced its street lighting service, and immediately *twice* as many night fatalities as daylight ones were reported, forcing restoration of the curtailed services in ten months' time. An opposite kind of proof is the city of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, which installed modern street lighting eight years ago and has not had a night fatality since.

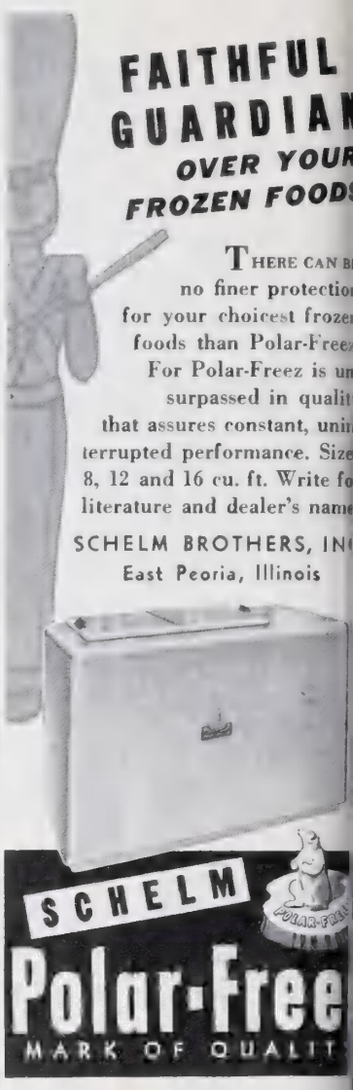
The ten principal cities of Connecticut brought their total of 1,874 fatalities down to 1,432 in a year, by re-lighting only 13% of their total street mileage. The city of Hartford dropped from 37 night traffic deaths to 5, after improving 27 miles of street lighting.

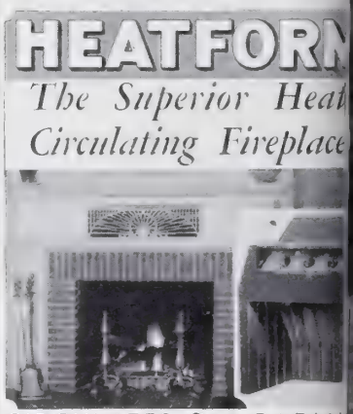
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2. Less crime

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3. Better business

"Business follows the light." says C. V. Doherty, supervisor of street lighting of the West Penn Power Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Municipal authorities and merchants of that area have spent money for good lighting of business streets—for protection, of course. But they also report increased volume of night-time business as a result.

People prefer shopping in bright, well-lighted streets, for the psychological effect, for easier window-shopping, for the sense of security light brings. If yours is a town that wishes to attract out-of-town business, install modern lighting and see what happens.

It is profitable in small towns as well as larger cities. The per capita retail sales in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, are 200 per cent above the average for the state, and its real-estate prices have more than doubled in the last decade when improved street lighting became a fact.

"A great amount of business property has been purchased by outside interests, as an investment —no doubt our fine system of lighting has helped attract this outside capital," the Greensburg Civic and Business Association told us.

4. Enhanced property values

Streets that look better and attract more business become more valuable. This is reflected in real-estate deals. Properties begin to sell for more, new businesses seek the better-lighted streets. It may take a little time, but it usually *pays* to improve street lighting, even if, as happens in some cases, property owners themselves are assessed for all or part of the cost of installation.

5. Increased comfort for motorists

The strain on the driver of a motor vehicle which must travel slowly and cautiously through half-darkened streets—or proceed rapidly at great risk—is terrific. The glare of improperly installed street lighting creates eye-strain. Both are needless and can be eliminated by proper lighting. Apart from the danger implicit in both kinds of strain, wear and tear on your energy can be cut down—surely a proper objective for better living.

6. Justifiable civic pride

You like to feel proud of your city—who doesn't? You'll be proud of your street lighting, as well as other civic improvements, when you bring it up-to-date.

What IS Good Street Lighting?

Never mind the ultratechnical details—they're for engineers. You want to know the standards by which to judge your own city's lights in the world of 1947.

On page 91 are eight questions enabling you to judge your present lights. The questions are based on the elements of visibility detailed in the publication, "Recommended Practice of Street and Highway Lighting," of the Illuminating Engineering Society. Your local power company's street lighting department undoubtedly has a copy of it.

Main points to remember are:

1. There must be a sufficient amount of light to spread uniformly over the whole surface of the street and to create light backgrounds against which all objects can be distinguished — in silhouette — at

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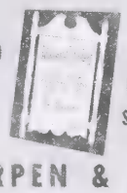
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distances allowing sufficient time for drivers to slow up or stop.

2. All the light should be directed downward, not upward in a vain attempt to light the heavens. This is accomplished by a pendant type of lamp, rather than an upright kind. The lights are enclosed by shields and glassware to prevent wastage of light in the wrong direction.

3. There should be absence of glare which, shining in the motorists's eyes, temporarily blinds him. This can be achieved by having the lamp-post high enough to spread the cone of light so that the light source is above the line of vision.

You have only to look to find out how high your lamp-posts are, if the lights point downward, if they are enclosed so the light from the top of the lamp doesn't pour upward, etc. If you find flaws, you will know yours is a town which needs to modernize its street lighting.

New Types of Street Lighting

The familiar incandescent light is still the best bet for most street lighting, according to lighting engineers. However, if you are improving your city's street lighting, there are three other kinds of light that may be used for special purposes:

1. Sodium

This is a yellow, spectacular, attention-getting light used for underpasses, traffic circles, bridges, railroad crossings, dangerous intersections. You can see it from miles away. The yellow-orange color gives complexions an unnatural look, so it isn't flattering where there are many pedestrians. Sodium lamps cost much more than incandescent, but give almost three times as much light per watt, so total costs are approximately equal.

2. Mercury-vapor

This is a blue-white light with little red in it—hence it also distorts complexions. So far it has been used chiefly in tunnels or on main traffic routes and downtown streets where some "warmer" light is contributed by the show-window signs. Mercury lamps also cost more than incandescent but give more than twice the light per watt.

3. Fluorescent

This is the daylight-colored light you're used to seeing in business offices and at your own desk. Although it gives almost three times as much light per watt as incandescent lamps, fluorescent lamps must have large-sized and heavy fixtures, are difficult to control from their extended sources, and cold weather reduces their light output. They still are experimental for street lighting.

How Much Does it Cost?

Modern safety street lighting involves an expenditure of city money—your tax payments—over a period of years. It isn't as much as you might think, however. For modern street lights give more light on the street for the same power consumption. Thus operating costs, per unit of light, become less.

In Detroit, a 72 per cent reduction was effected in the unit cost of light actually provided when the lighting system was improved. The total cost was not less to the citizens of Detroit, because there are more lights than there used to be and more light on street surfaces. But the average annual cost per thousand effective lumens (which is the engineer's measure of actual light delivered) was $22.43 in 1945, as compared to $78.87 in 1930. It cost each citizen only 97 cents in 1945 to operate all the city's street lighting.

New lighting standards and

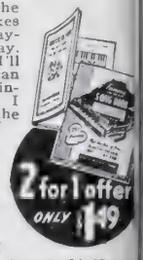
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Many cities, since the close of the war, have decided it's well worth while to improve their lighting. Among those which already are embarked on a safety lighting program are Spokane, Chicago, Buffalo, Kansas City, Missouri, and Philadelphia. Property owners of sections deemed badly lighted have petitioned the city government for improvement in many places. The cost of improved lighting often is borne *in part* by the city treasury and part by special assessment of benefited property owners.

What YOU Can Do

If you live in a town that hasn't modern street lighting, here are steps to take toward getting it:

1. Go to your local electric light company and find out what the condition of your street lighting is, as compared with the standards evolved by the Illuminating Engineering Society.

2. Armed with the facts about just how far short of perfection your town's lights are, start building up public opinion about them.

a) Arrange club programs at which the street lighting engineer can explain the situation; the police chief can show the relationship between darkness and crime; business men can reveal the importance of good light to increased business and real-estate values.

b) Have your local civic groups pass resolutions or sign petitions for improved lighting — planned over a period of years.

c) See that local newspapers and radio stations give space and time to the subject, stressing particularly the small amount of money, per capita, it takes to save lives, traffic damages, crime.

d) Write to the Street and Traffic Safety Lighting Bureau, 155 East 44th Street, New York 17, N. Y., for literature to distribute at meetings or by mail to citizens of your town.

3. Get a committee representing as many of the varied interests in your town as you can to go to the city government to ask for action.

4. Keep at it. If you don't get action, remember that municipal officials are human beings. That there usually is strong competition for the tax dollar. That your city fathers are responsive to the will of the people and will do something eventually, if you persist.



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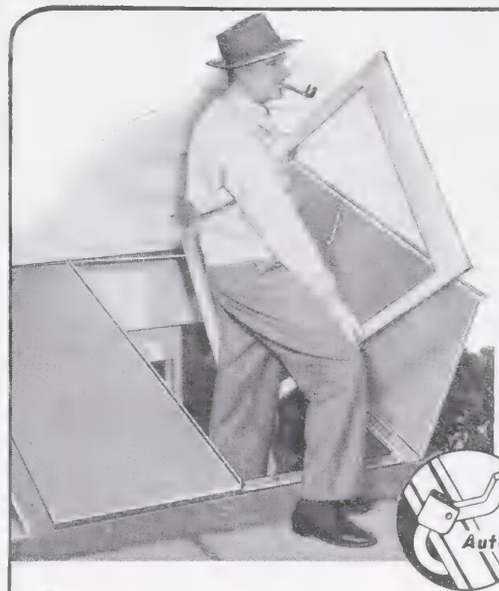
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HOW TO USE A BOTANICAL GARDEN

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Sometimes the Gardens anticipate your inquiries. Last summer the Missouri Botanical Garden had a hay fever exhibit, displaying (under glass, in deference to the sufferers) all the plants of the region responsible for various kinds of so-called hay-fever allergies. The Brooklyn Botanic Garden has had a weed-killer demonstration for two years in a row, showing how commercial weed killers destroy weeds common to lawns, without damaging the grass. It also furnished the know-how for New York City's big ragweed destruction program in 1946.

Where to See What

Some botanical gardens cover so much ground that there are few things, indeed, you could not see or find out from them. Yet even these big ones are noted more for some things than others. You *should know, in advance, what are the special treasures to view*, so you don't inadvertently pass up a superb rose garden, hemlock grove, pinetum, or iris display simply by not knowing it was at its best there.

For example, it would be a shame if you were anywhere in the vicinity of St. Louis, Missouri, in late July, August, or early September, and you didn't see the water lilies. It's the finest collection ever brought together. There are both night blooming, which are pink and white and illuminated dramatically in Town Grove Park at night, and day-blooming lilies of yellow, pink, lavender and blue that are wider than dinner plates. The latter were developed by G. H. Pring, English-born, Kew-trained superintendent of the Garden. Nine of the daytime varieties cover a pool in front of the Palm House at the garden, with leaves that measure six feet across, blooms 14 inches wide!

Possibly you may have a small home greenhouse, as an increasing number of amateurs have today. Ever thought of growing orchids? Missouri Botanical Garden is famous for its orchids—20,000 flowering plants of 1,200 distinct varieties in the greenhouses at Gray Summit, the 1,602 acre extension of the city garden, about 40 miles outside of St. Louis.

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WHAT and HOW to Prune in March

BY JOHN A. GRANT and CAROL L. GRANT

On the first mild spring day, are you accustomed to walking around your grounds and lopping off the tops of outgrown shrubs? And do you complain later in the season because these same shrubs look blocky or bear fewer flowers?

Then you are going about your pruning in the wrong way. Before picking up your pruning shears again this March, keep in mind that you should prune to preserve and accentuate the plants' natural habit of growth—never to "make big shrubs into little ones."

Pruning is not the involved and mysterious art that some gardeners suppose. It is based on a few fundamental principles.

The first is the time of pruning. This month you prune the flowering shrubs and vines that bloomed late last summer or fall. This encourages new, soft growth, welcome in spring, but to be avoided in fall because it is liable to winter-kill. You prune now fleecevine or lacevine (*Polygonum baldschuanicum* and *P. auberti*), all the grapes, strong growing clematis species like *paniculata* and *tangutica*, large-flowered clematis of the *jackmani* type, *Buddleia*

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● This is the month to prune summer-flowering vines, like *Clematis paniculata*. To build up a framework in a young vine, cut out weak growth, and tip back main shoots the first year (left); the following year trim back current growth, retaining the basic framework that you started to build up the year before



● You should build up a shrub's framework the same way, as shown in these three successive prunings, spaced a year apart. Late-blooming kinds to prune now include *Hydrangea paniculata* and variety Peegee, *Buddleia davidi*, *Tamarix pentandra*, and *Fuchsia magellanica*, if hardy in your region



● The French hydrangea (*H. hortensis*), with its pink and blue varieties, presents a special problem. In spring remove one-third of the weakest wood (left); then shorten remaining shoots one-fourth to one-third of their length

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● A Hybrid Tea rose of weak growth (above) is trimmed back hard. Cut it to within six inches of the ground, leaving only the strongest branches with from three to five buds. Prune strong-growing bush roses like some Hybrid Perpetuals, for less severely to within 18 or 24 inches of the ground surface





● March is the time to prune Climbing roses, too, using the same rule of pruning weak ones (above) hard, and strong ones (right) less severely. As in shrubs, you will want to build up a permanent framework in your climbers. Do not prune Ramblers now; they are taken care of directly after flowering in June

davidi, hardy fuchsia, tamarix, hydrangeas, Hybrid Tea, Hybrid Perpetual and Climbing roses.

The second is the amount of pruning. This should depend on the plant's vigor. Contrary to what one would expect, a vigorous shrub or vine needs little pruning. A weak plant, on the other hand, should be pruned comparatively heavily so that the plant's strength goes into the few strongest stems.

The third is the kind of pruning. You should prune to build up framework in each shrub or vine, keeping in mind that most late-blooming ones flower on new wood of the current season's growth. First you trim out the weak twigs springing from the center of bush; then prune back others.

In a few cases you will have to make departures from this general pruning formula. For instance, *Hydrangea hortensis*, the popular pink and blue-flowered type, blooms at the tips of the previous year's ripened shoots, or on short laterals.

To roses you can apply the same general rules for March pruning of summer and fall-blooming shrubs. The most delicate Hybrid Teas are cut to within six inches of the ground each year. Floribundas and Polyanthas vary in vigor; the weak ones are cut back hard, as with most Hybrid Teas, and the strongest are allowed to build up a permanent structure of branches a foot to 18 inches above the ground. In general, Hybrid Perpetuals are pruned 18 to 24 inches high, for strong ones, and six to eight for weak ones.

Of several distinct groups of climbing roses, all but one group should be pruned now. The exception is the Rambler rose (a strain of hybrids produced by crossing *wichuraiana* and *multiflora*); this is pruned instead immediately after flowering in July. Other climbing types are pruned in much the same way as the bush roses—the weak ones severely, and the strong ones lightly.

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Show, of course. Outdoors, our landscape around New York is still predominantly grays and browns, with a song sparrow's note about the only sign of spring.

Not so farther south, however, Camellias are blooming in the Carolinas, and this month will bring to a close the camellia shows—25 of them in the South this year. The new American Camellia Society is a going concern, too, and many local branches are springing up. The highlight of the wave of interest in camellias is the magnificent book by Dr. H. H. Hume, Dean of Florida's Agricultural College.

Speaking of Florida, we were delighted last summer to see a hedge of one of our northern house plants beside a building in the center of Tampa. The plant was *Belleperone guttata* and its salmony red bracts and rich green foliage were beautiful against the cream-color stucco.

After completing our piece on old-fashioned roses for the February number, we were pleased to read this entertaining little item about Harison's Yellow rose, from the pen of one of our western correspondents: "Harison's Yellow rose has taken over the historic old mining town of Central City, Colorado. It grows in deserted yards and spills over old rock walls, transforming the town at flowering-time. Old-timers say that the first plant was brought in by the family of Henry M. Teller, famous in his day as a U. S. Senator. Today his horticultural footprints are more enduring than his past glory."

And, speaking of last month's article on "Roses without Work," a million apologies to you who got copies with the sketches on page 71 incorrectly captioned. They should have read, from top to bottom: fountain-shaped, mound-shaped, upright, and horizontal. The error, fortunately, was corrected before the entire issue was printed.

All winter we've been contemplating some major changes in our garden. First we decided to shift some hemlocks and shrubs from an outgrown location to the rear of the yard that needs screening where a fence deteriorated. That idea led to others, until we had drawn up a whole new plan. It will give us a better view of the garden from the house and will shorten our steps to the tool corner in the garage—both convincing reasons for the changes.

It's hard to keep our enthusiasm from spilling into action, but we're bound to wait and take some "before" shots at daffodil time first. By late April most of the other plants will be leafed out, too, so we won't overlook or trample any during the big shift.

An unusual perennial is gradually getting around from garden to garden in the Northwest, our correspondent from there reports. It is the Corsican hellebore (*Helleborus corsica*) with delicate chartreuse-green flowers rising in handsome clusters above leathery, deep-green foliage.

In Cincinnati, last summer, we traced the spread of another flower from garden to garden. It was the hardy amaryllis (botanically Lycoris squamigera, *and often listed in catalogs as* Amaryllis halli*). At the time of our visit in August its pink trumpets were blooming gaily on*

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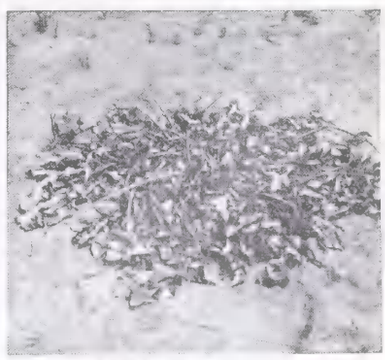
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two-foot stems, even in gardens whose owners were away for the summer. This amaryllis looks best, and seems to do best, with an evergreen ground-cover. On our return, we ordered some bulbs and hope this handsome plant will spread to many New Jersey gardens.

There is nothing quite so annoying to a new gardener as to hear a flower described in glowing terms without any reference to its height, planting distance, and other essentials. Most of us have a pet reference book to help here, but hesitate to use it in the garden.

A handy guide for planning and planting the popular perennials, annuals, bulbs, and vegetables is available in Harry R. O'Brien's "gardener's slide rule." It consists of a gay yellow envelope with slits through which you read the essential information about each plant listed on the sliding card inside. You can get a copy for a few cents from one of the leading garden tool manufacturers.

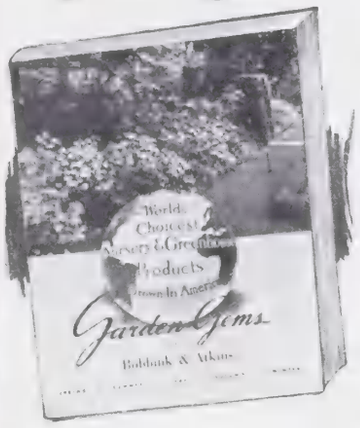
Report of a remarkable example of community spirit plus horticultural enthusiasm comes from Colorado. About a year ago one member of the Colorado Forestry and Horticulture Association decided that Colorado needed to be put on the map horticulturally. She purchased a house near the Civic Center of Denver which she proceeded to remodel to use as a garden center. Then another member decided that the building should house a complete horticultural library. She has since raised about $3,000 toward this library. Others are assembling an herbarium and landscaping the grounds. This building will soon be ready to serve as headquarters for the Rocky Mountain area.

Probably the most exclusive flower group is the Cymbidium Society of Southern California. No guests are admitted without cards. Fabulous prices are being paid for large plants of this Cymbidium orchid, and discussions wax hot as members of the society try to straighten out variety names that are sadly confused. A bulletin will soon be issued by the group under the editorship of Robert Casomajor.

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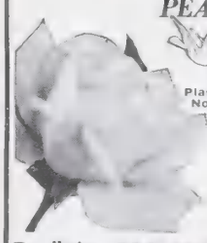
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lasting for about a month. Its flowers are incidental, however, for its foliage and form are its decorative assets. And quite enough they are in the way of dividends.

The thickened leaves of this succulent indicate its ability to store water. Therefore we can assume, and rightly, that it will endure the heat and dry air of our living rooms, but it will do equally well, if not better, in a cooler temperature of 50 to 60 degrees. Crassula's foliage also gives a clue to its soil requirements. It needs a well-drained or sandy soil, such as a mixture of two parts loam and one part each of sand and charcoal (or ashes or crushed brick or broken flower pot) with a little ground limestone mixed in. Be careful not to overwater, especially during winter, its rest period.

Crested euphorbia (*E. lactea cristata*), another succulent, is as adaptable to your living-room climate as crassula, only more so. To its lean soil mixture of half sandy loam and half limestone or crushed brick plus a little leafmold for acidity, you will add water not oftener than once a week at any time of the year. The only other requirement to make it perfectly happy is a location in sunlight, but out of drafts. It bears no flowers, and the satisfaction of owning one depends entirely on its twisted, tortured, dwarfed form.

GROWTH is so slow in this euphorbia as to be almost imperceptible from year to year, making it as nearly an architectural piece as any plant you could own. Its slow growth makes this plant a rarity and therefore expensive—but not expensive compared to sculpture. The specimen shown on page 86 is 18 years old and but nine inches high. This plant has the dimensional form and patina of a piece of modern polished wood sculpture.

The imperial begonia (*B. imperialis*) is no less striking than the euphorbia, but for different reasons. The hairy texture of its variegated Nile-green and deep olive-green leaves make of this small begonia a glistening jewel. A contrast to the euphorbia in culture, too, it requires considerable

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moisture, like all begonias. Supply water through the bottom of the pot to avoid danger of rot and place the plant in a warm room where it will receive morning sunlight. As the imperial begonia is a slow grower, you will rarely have to repot or feed it.

Dieffenbachia picta—especially the variegated Rudolph Roehrs variety—is a handsome and sturdy foliage plant. Give it a soil of one-third loam, one-third leaf mold, and one-third sand, with some dehydrated chicken or sheep manure or tankage to encourage good foliage and place it in a warm, light window. The average house atmosphere is good for the dieffenbachia, which prefers to be on the dry side.

Loss of leaves at the base of a dieffenbachia will occur eventually in the normal process of growth. If you wish to keep your dieffenbachia short and bushy, cut off the top of the plant, leaving a few inches of the stem near the base to sprout and branch out. Early spring is the best time to perform this operation. If you want additional plants, cut the severed top into three or four-inch sections, let them dry for a day, and lay them on moist sand in a very warm place. They will quickly root.

Norfolk Island pine (*Araucaria excelsa*), with striking symmetry and lineal leaves like those of other members of the pine family, will also stand hard usage. You'll find it does best in a room on the cool side—preferably around 60 degrees—and that it also makes an attractive porch plant in summer. In repotting, give it a mixture of fibrous loam with a good quantity of leafmold and sand.

STAGHORN fern (*Platycerium alcicorne*) is an epiphyte or air plant. It is usually rooted on a piece of osmunda fern root (or orchid fiber) and attached by wire to a board. Use this plant to throw wonderful shadows on a bare masonry wall, or anywhere where moisture from its growing board will do no harm.

The staghorn fern's sterile leaves form a shield-like layer that eventually covers the moss. Out of the shield grow the "antlers" or fertile fronds, often two to three feet long, that give this fern its common name.

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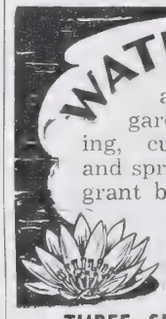
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Bromeliads, on first acquaintance, may seem stiff and weird to the average geranium and begonia lover. But the more you see of these members of the pineapple tribe, the more you will appreciate their exotic beauty and iron-clad constitutions, which rival that of the common snake plant.

In their native habitats of Central and South America and sub-tropical regions of Florida, bromeliads grow in the crotches of trees. Like staghorn fern, their older roots merely anchor them, and they collect moisture and food in the funnel formed by the leaves. With this clue to their needs, you will water them through their "vases" and not bother to water the soil. Using very light soil, sandy leafmold or peat moss, sphagnum moss, orchid fiber or osmunda and charcoal, you will plant them in hanging pots, baskets, pottery, or even in shells, as in the case of the two *Cryptanthus* (the medium-height *C. zonatus zebrinus* and the low *C. roseus pictus*) pictured on page 87.

Vase plant, or *Aechmea fulgens*, also pictured on page 87, is another bromeliad you will be interested in trying, especially for its candelabra-like inflorescence, with brilliant red berry-like flowers tipped with blue that will last often for many months. In addition to cryptanthus and aechmeas, there are among the bromeliads many types of billbergias, usually distinguished by more slender growth.

ALL the bromeliads are decorative, with either striking inflorescence or bracts, or bizarre striped or highly variegated foliage. They all have particular seasons of bloom, which may vary according to temperature or light or other conditions of environment, and they all seem to bloom without fail every year. After bloom the mother plant will send out suckers which you can eventually take off to form new plants, whereupon the mother will decline and die away.

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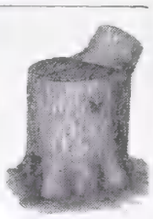


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HOW TO USE A BOTANICAL GARDEN

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IF IT'S trees, shrubs and woody plants you are interested in, you should see the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University at Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts. The largest number of woody plants in the country are collected there—everything from azaleas, rhododendrons, and mountain laurel to hemlocks and rare trees from Tibet and Manchuria. If you visit, ask which ones would be practical to try in your part of the country.

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The New York Botanical Garden, where 10,000 different kinds of plants are in cultivation every year, lists 35 "features of special interest" and the times of the year when they are at their best. These include daffodils in April, 10 acres of azaleas and rhododendrons in May and June, a rock garden which gives a succession of bloom from earliest spring to late fall, and chrysanthemums in November.

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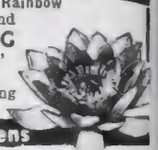
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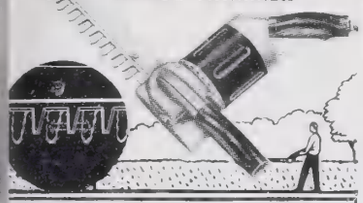
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There is a flowering meadow at the New York Botanical Garden that flaunts wild flowers and perennials, mostly native, all summer long. It is the only city wild flower garden in the United States.

The flowering meadow which is "tops," though, is at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden in California. *Thirty acres* are given over to culture of native California plants. The meadow is a huge riot of color each spring. Mass planting of California poppy, lupin, sea dahlia, beach strawberry, pagoda collinsia and radiant daisy have been tried.

THE Brooklyn Botanic Garden is known for its ornamental Japanese cherries, the same kind that people make pilgrimages to see around the Tidal Basin in Washington, D. C. But here they are massed along the edge of a Japanese garden, where 40,000 to 50,000 people on a single Sunday walk under the trees—between April 1st and May 10th. Toward the end of this time, when the petals drop, it's like walking through pink snow.

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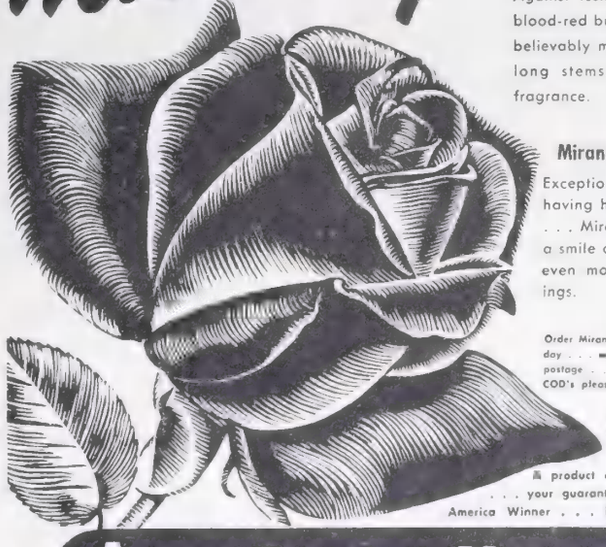
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In a sense this theory, applied at Brooklyn Botanic Garden principally to children (though there are 20-odd courses taken by almost 1000 adults), sums up what we mean about *using* botanical gardens. We amateur gardeners should know and examine botanical gardens ourselves. We should turn to their skilled staffs for answers to our questions about seeds, plants, diseases, insects, lawns, trees, shrubs, vines. In short, we ought to include them as regular sources of information and inspiration along with our garden clubs, horticultural societies, garden books and magazines. We'd know more about our own gardens—make them more truly beautiful—and better our living as a result.

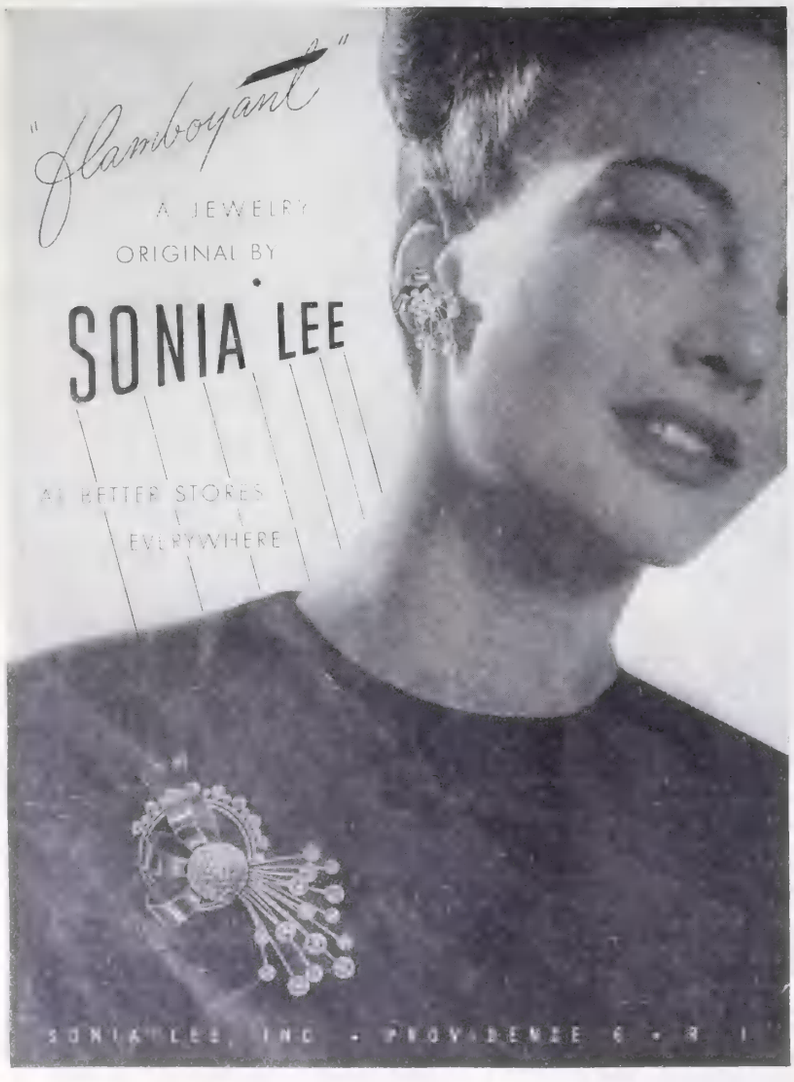


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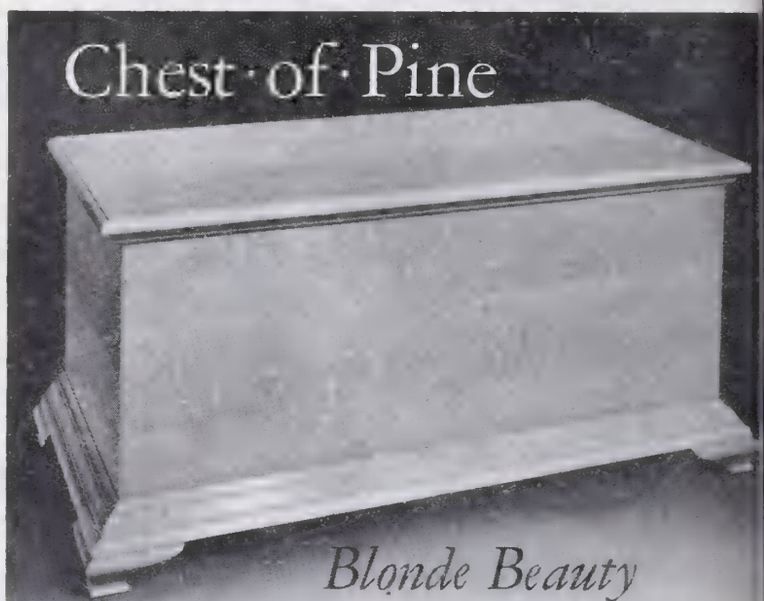
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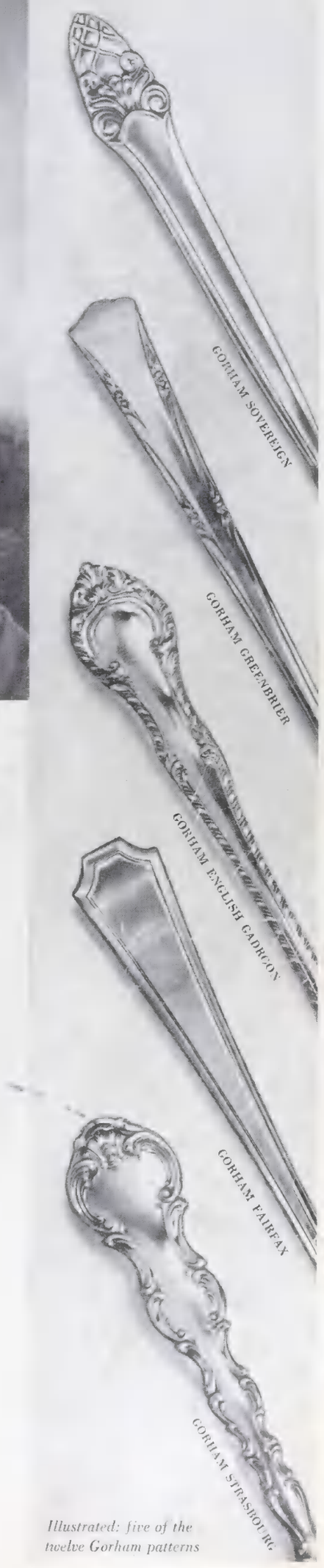
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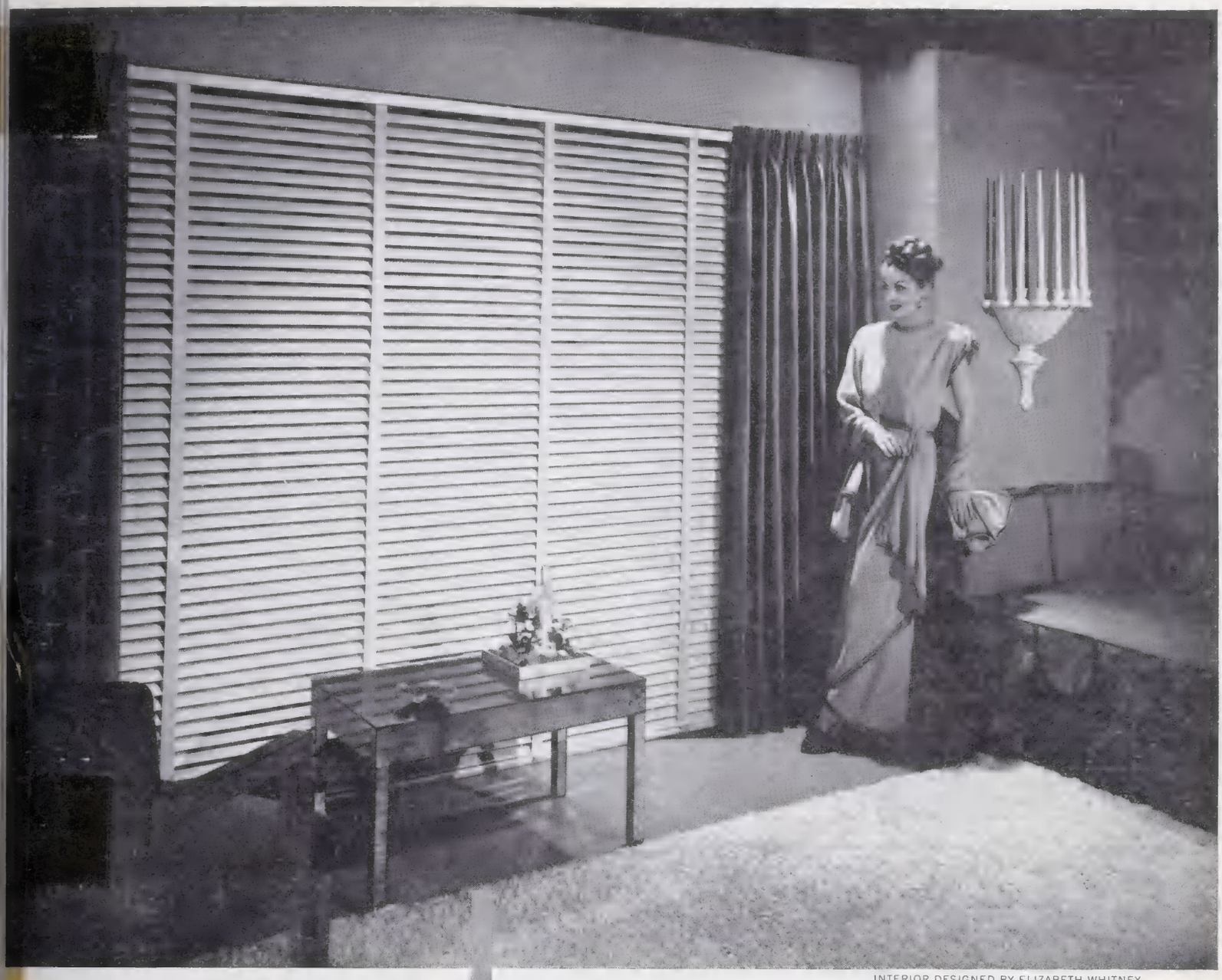


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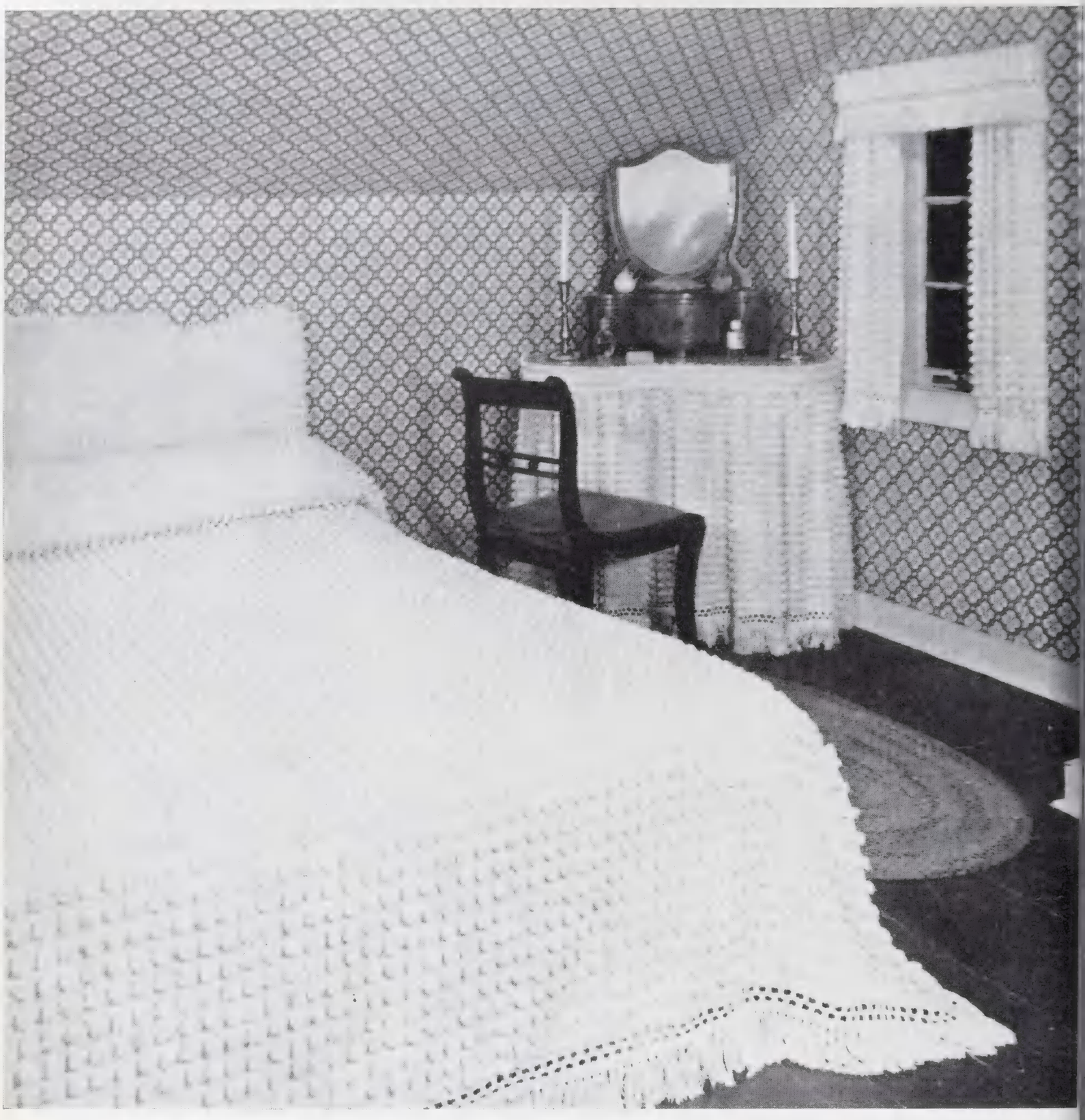
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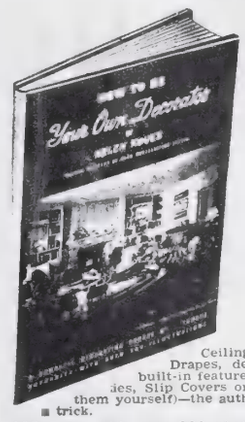
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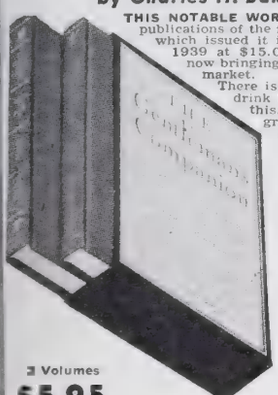
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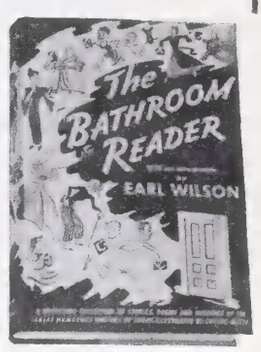
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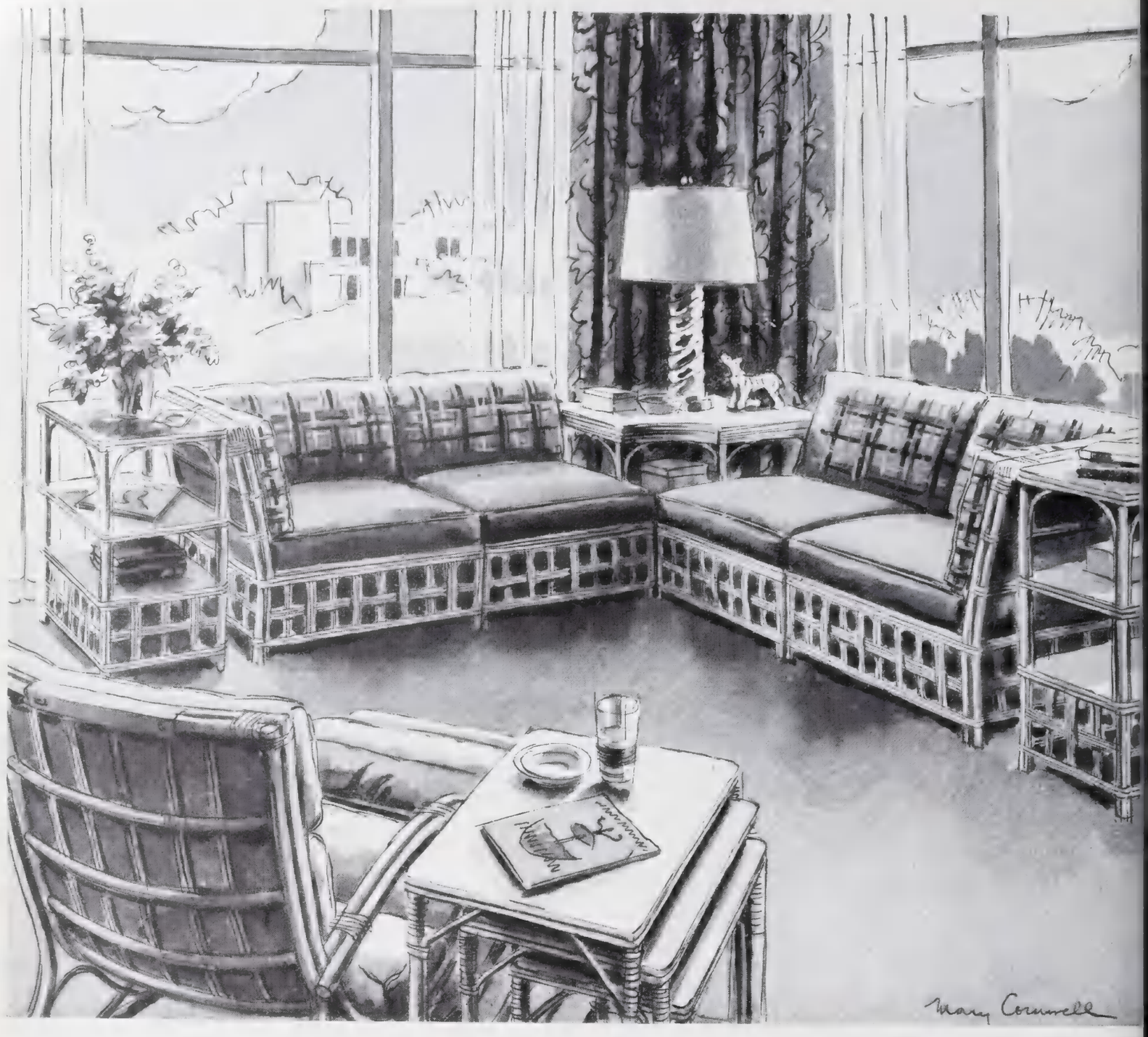
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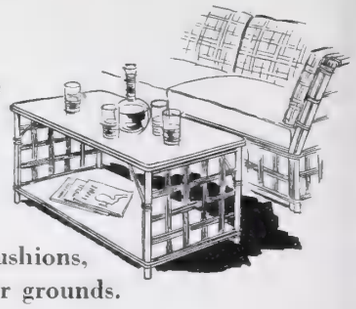
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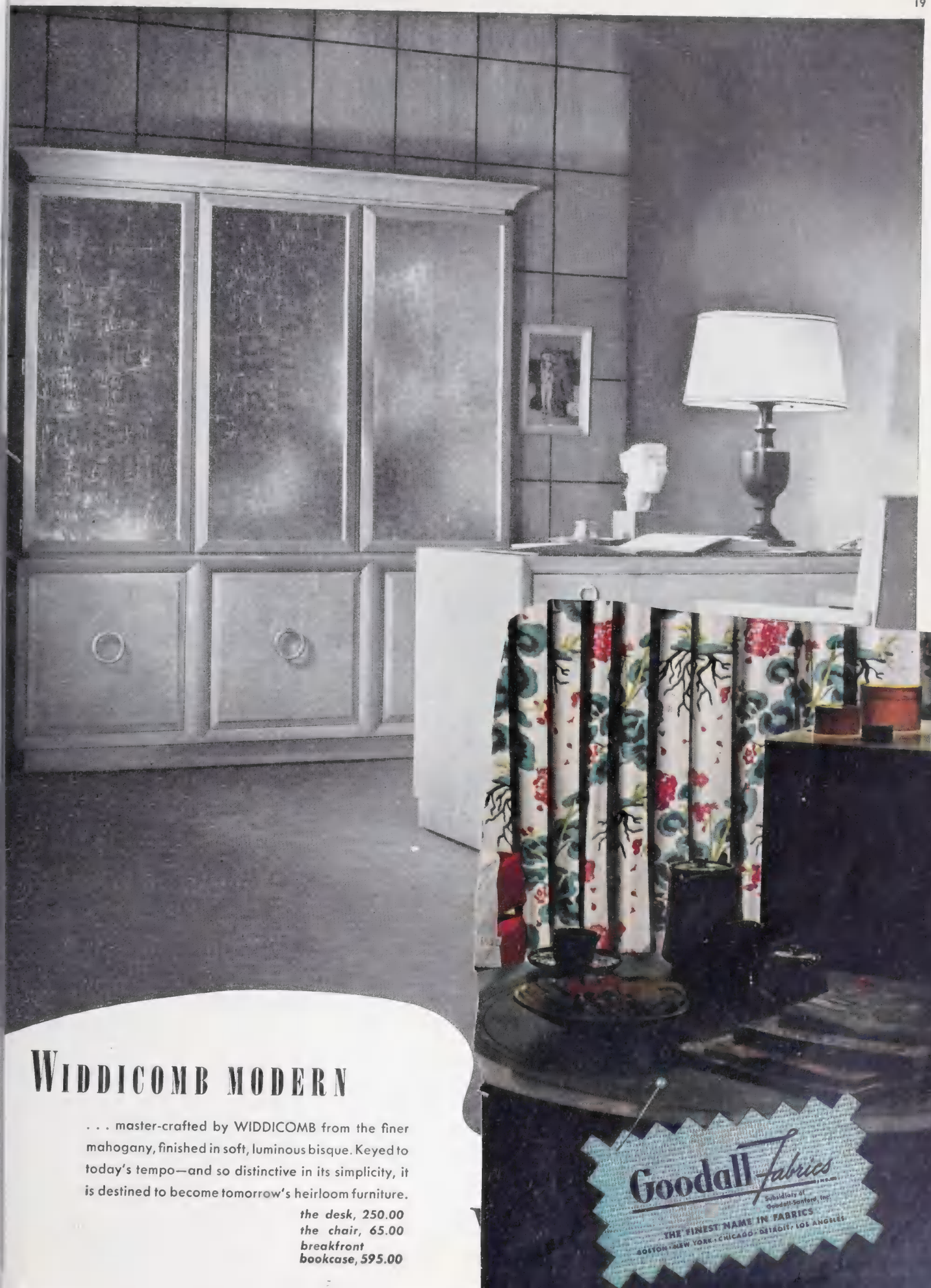


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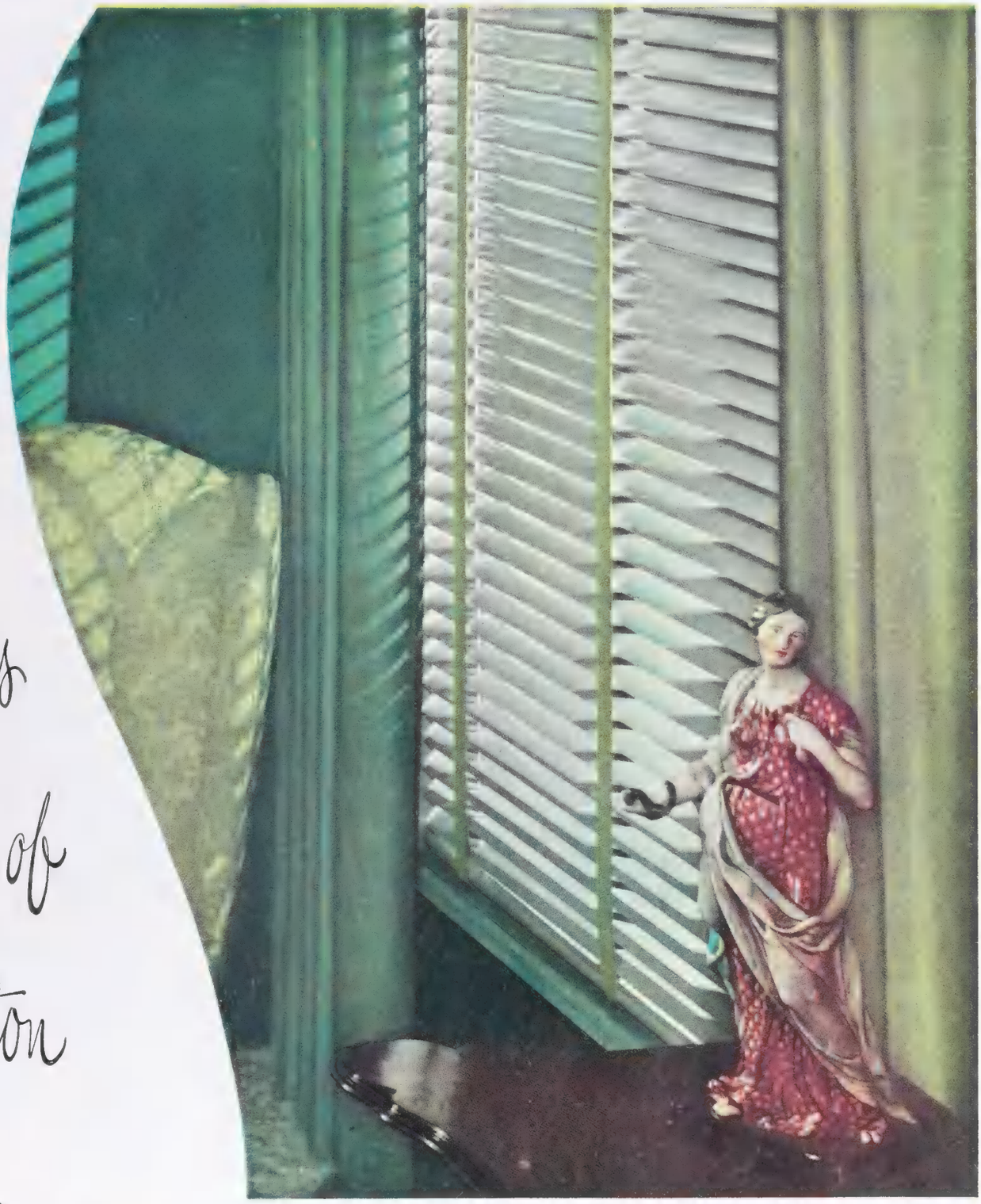
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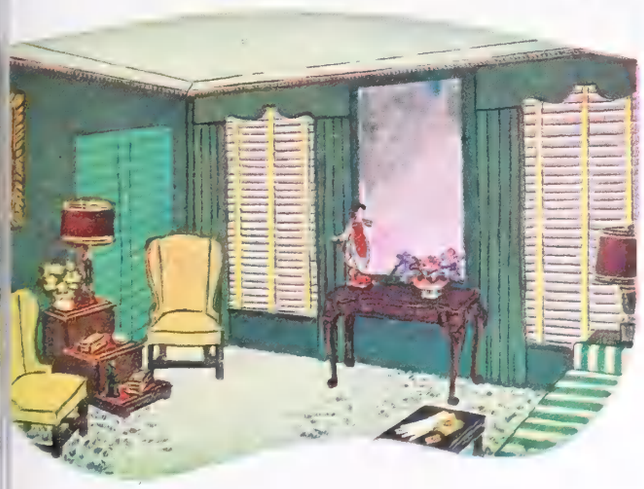
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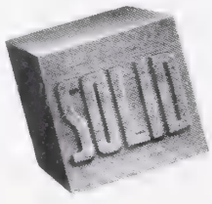
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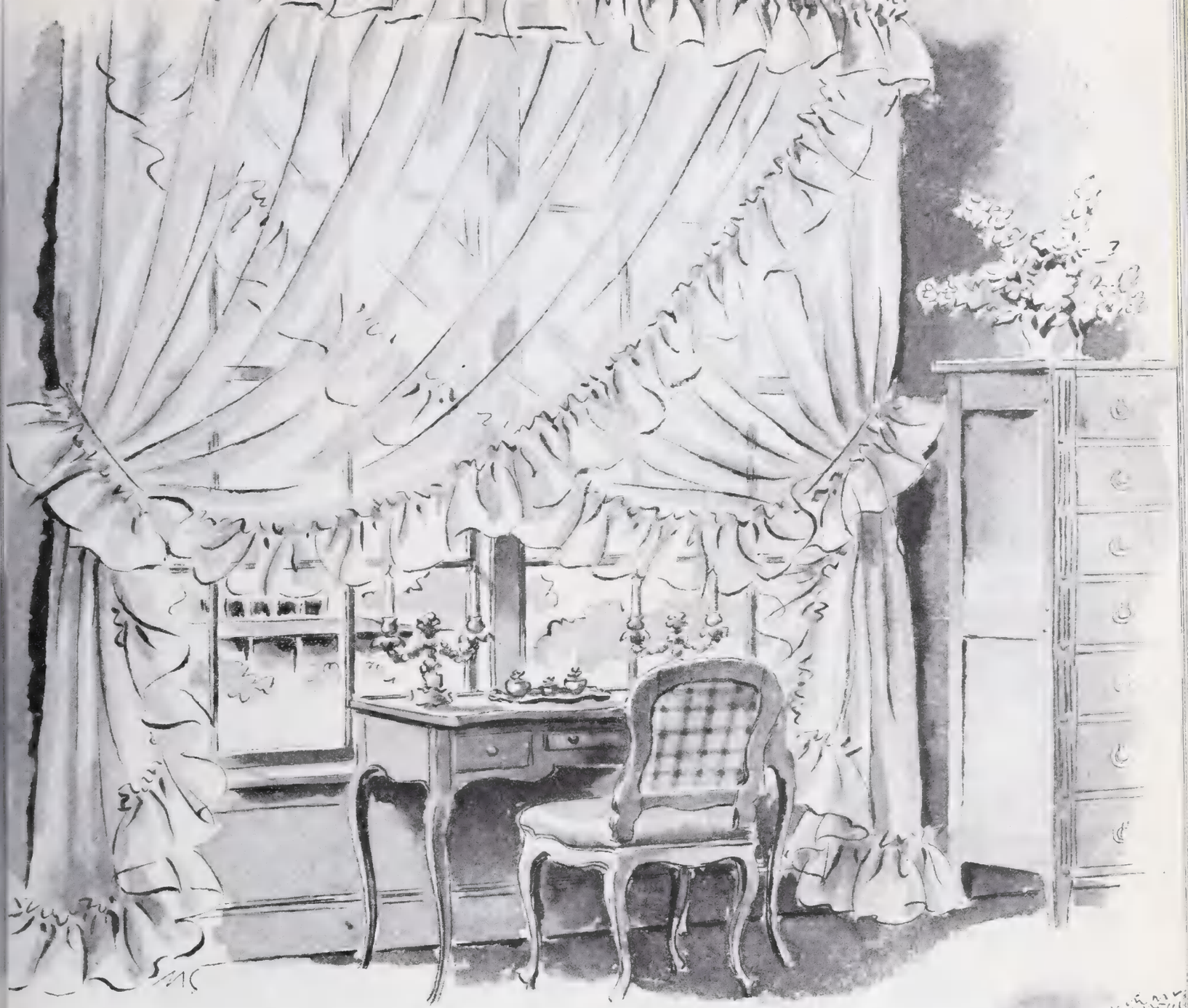
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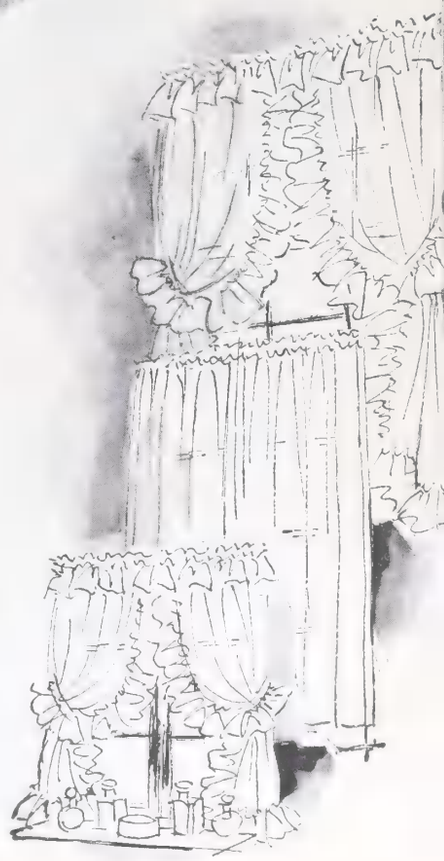


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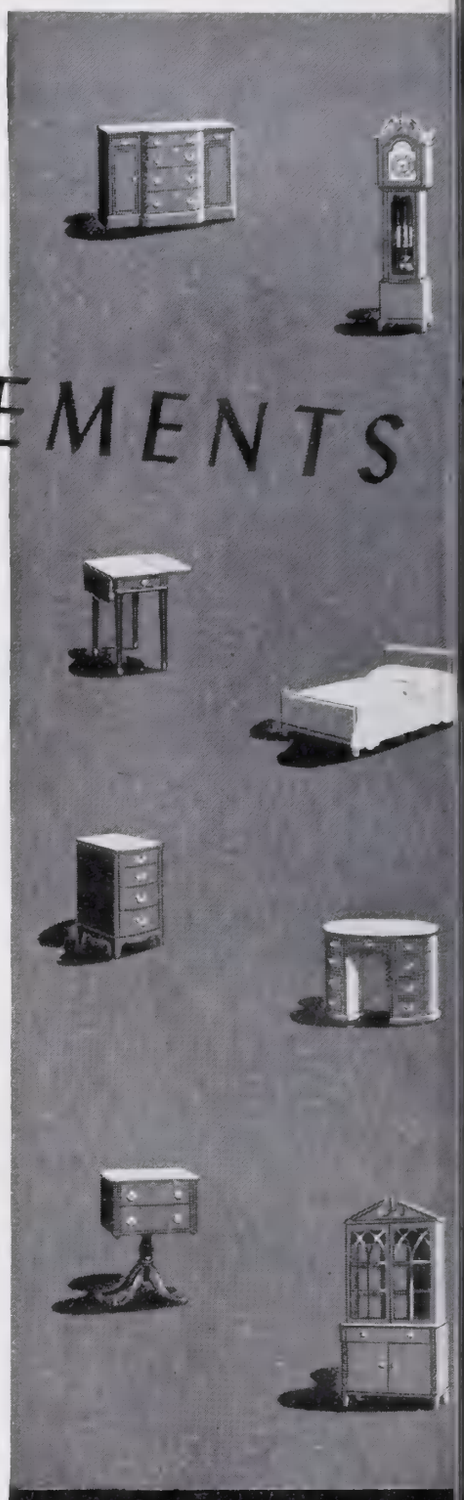
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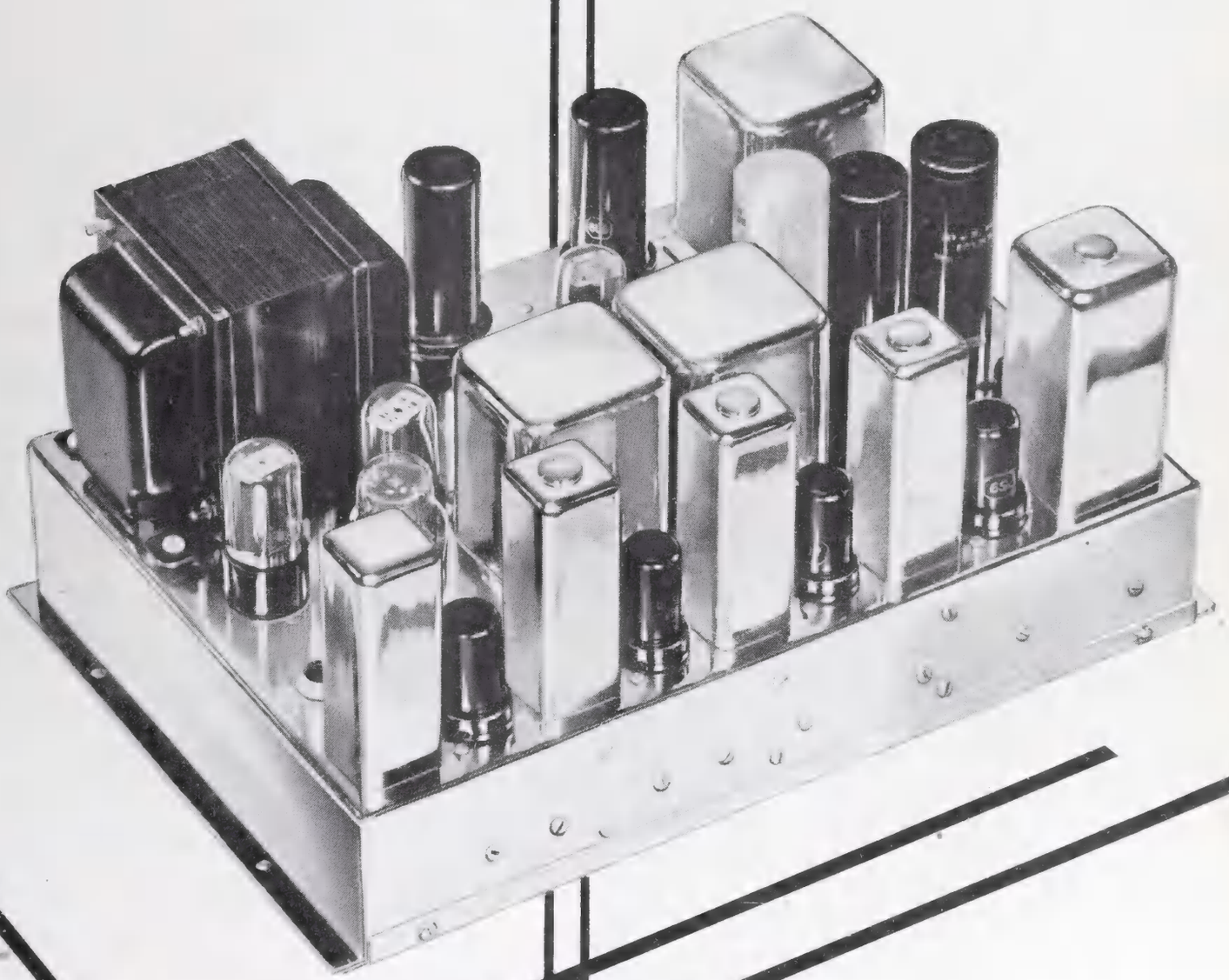
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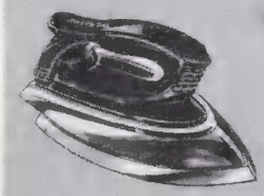
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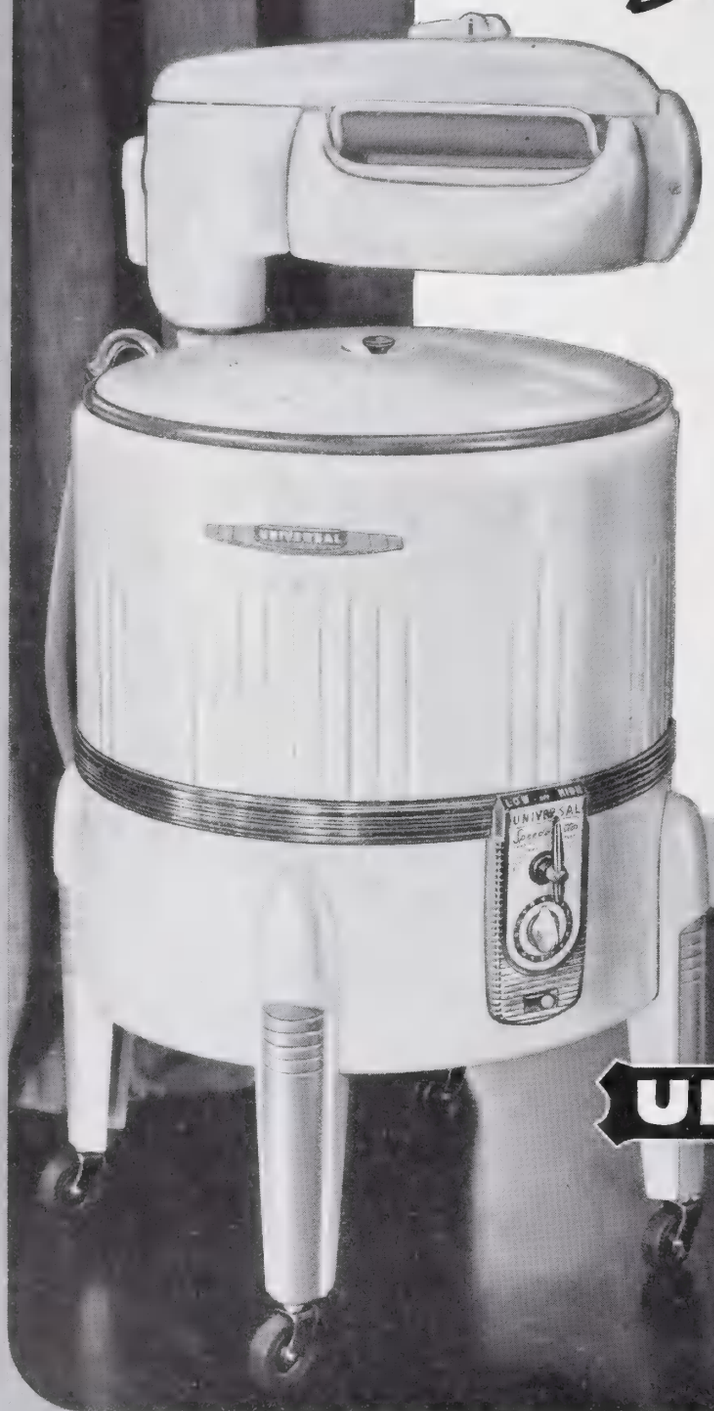


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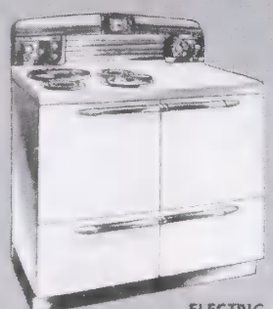


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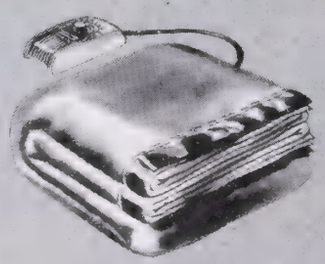
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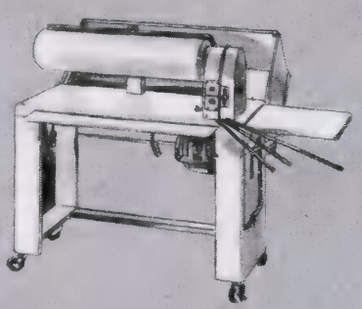
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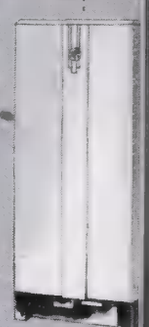
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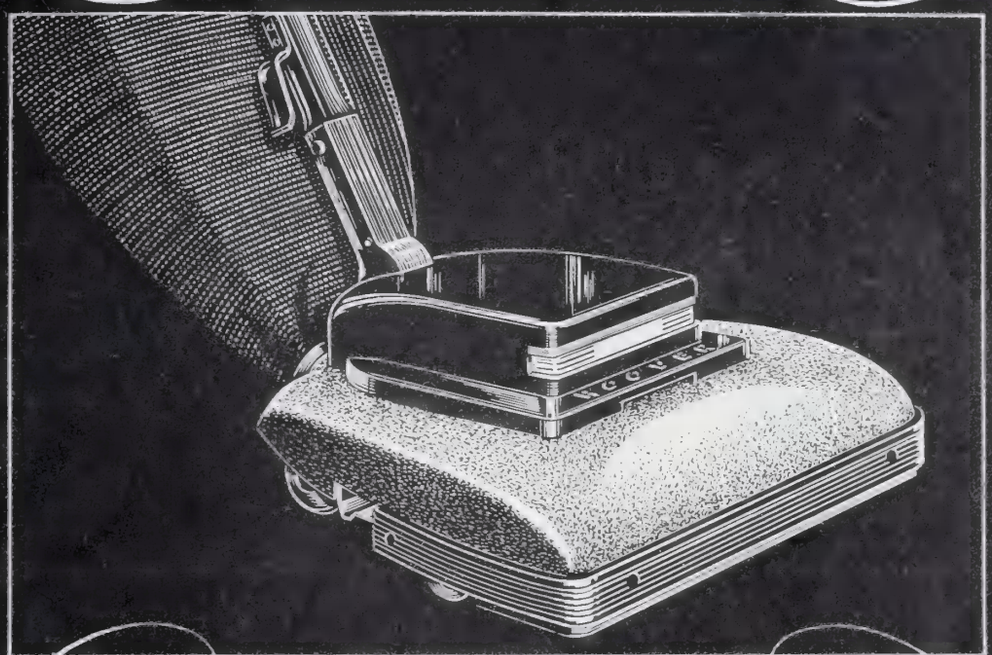


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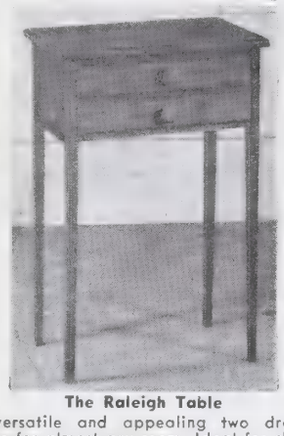
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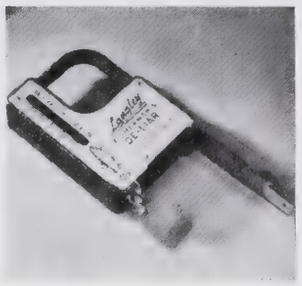
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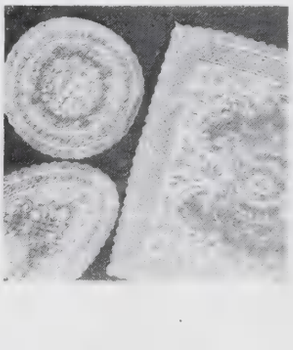
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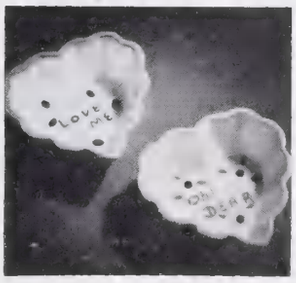
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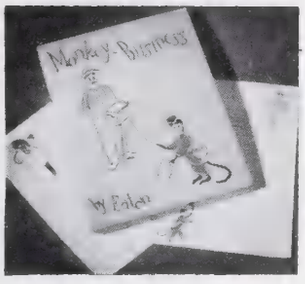
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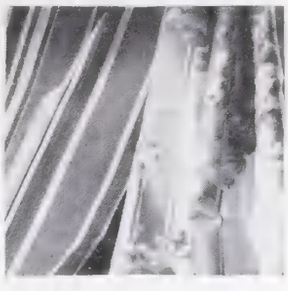
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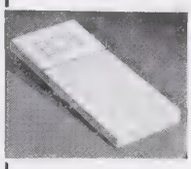
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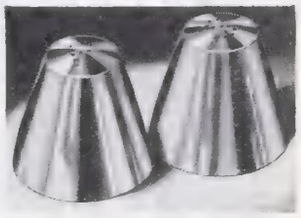
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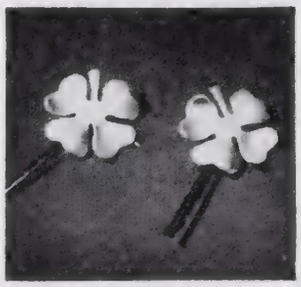
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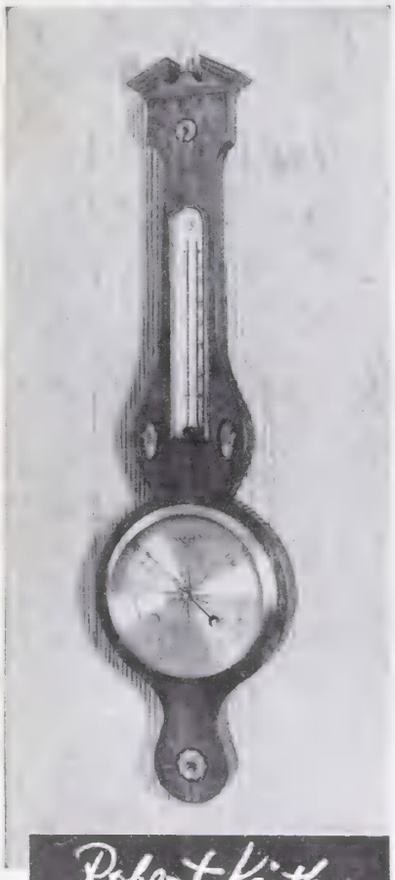


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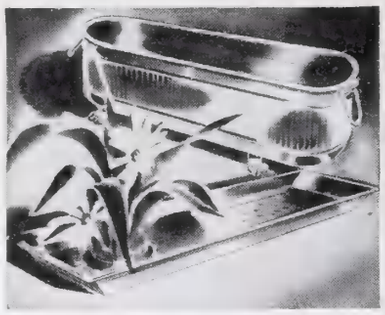
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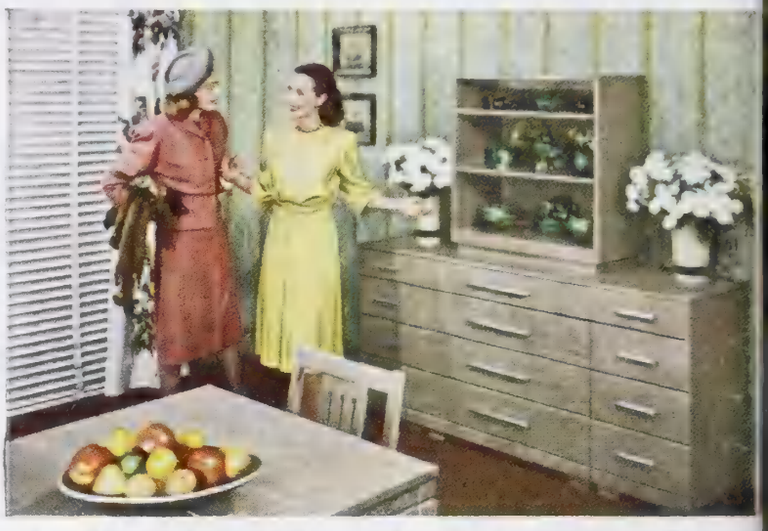
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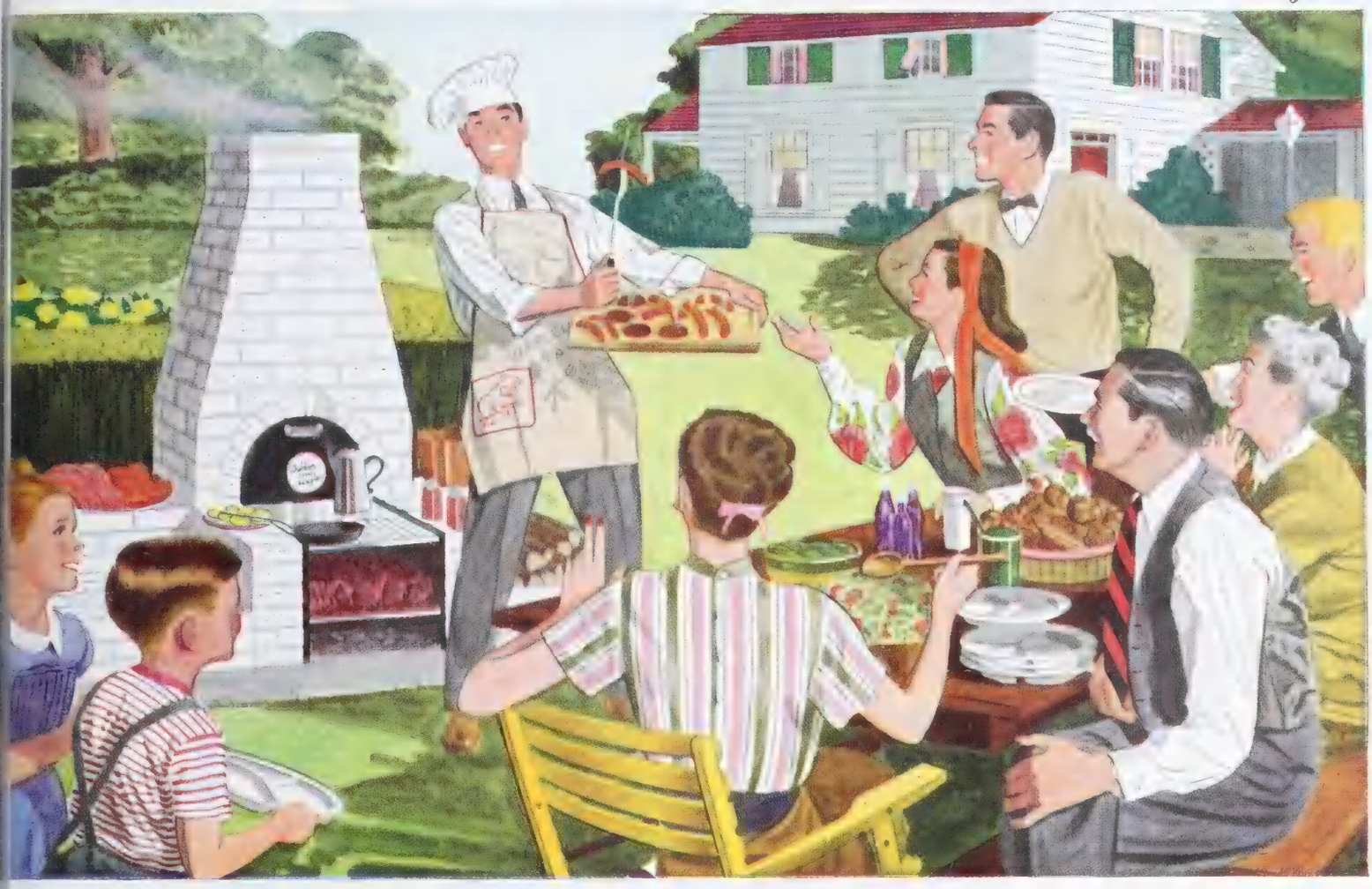
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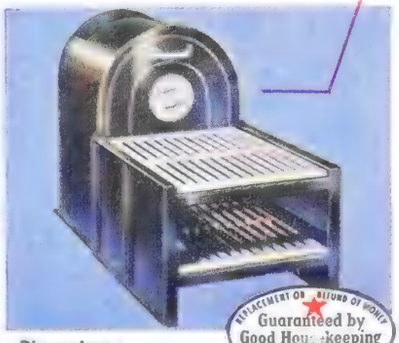
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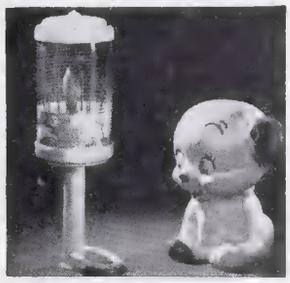
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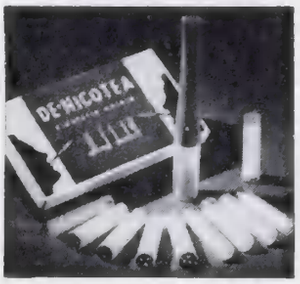
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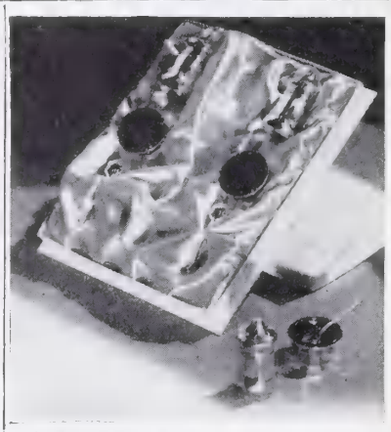
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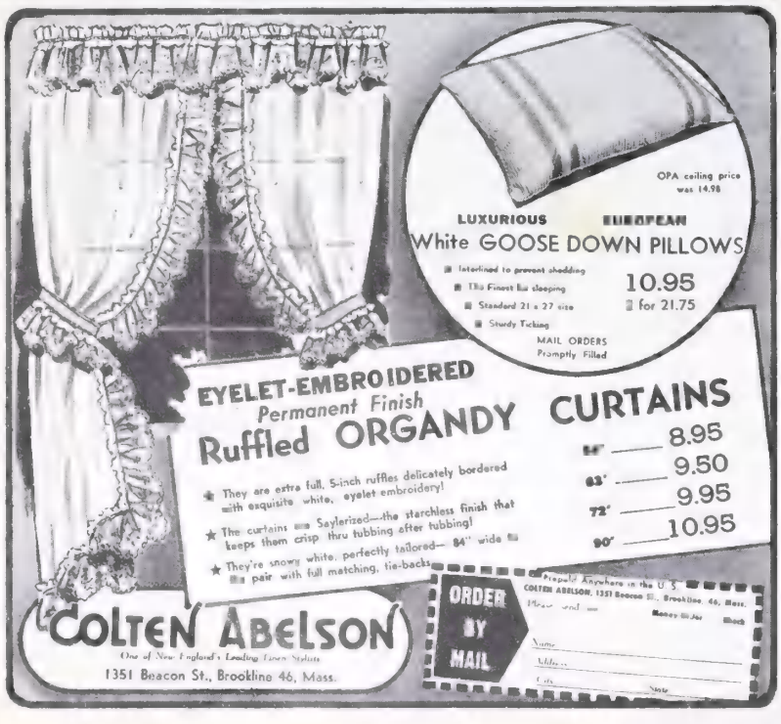
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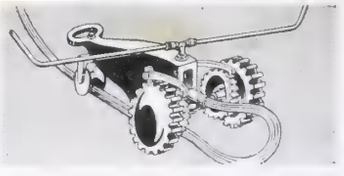
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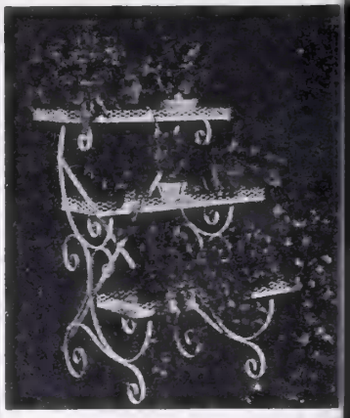
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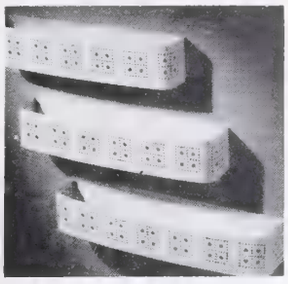
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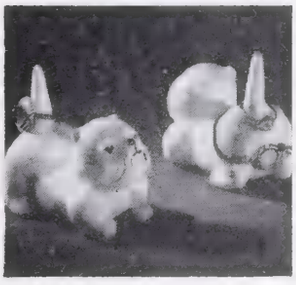
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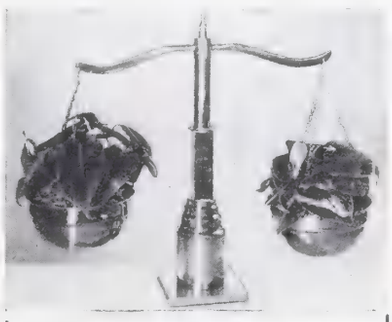
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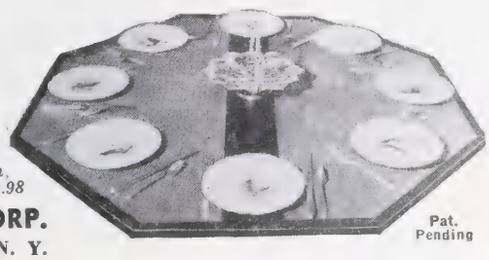
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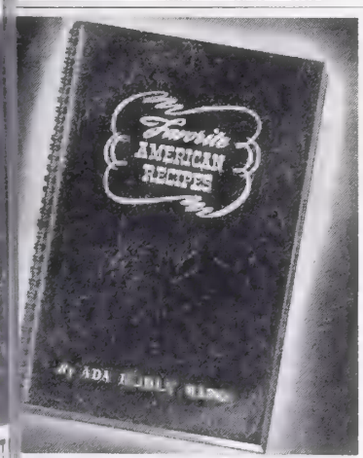
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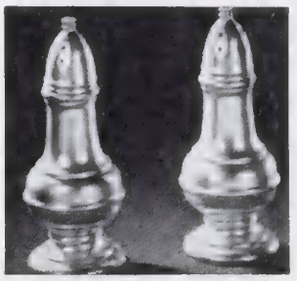
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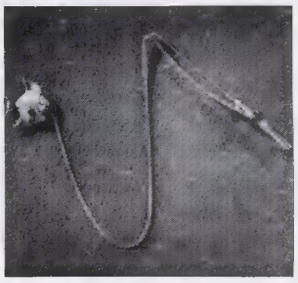
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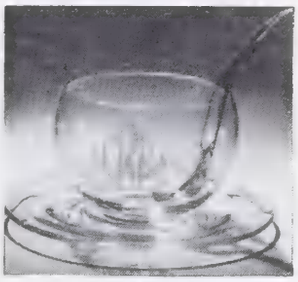
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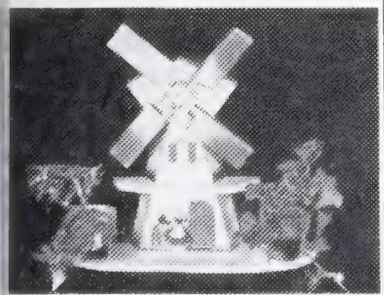
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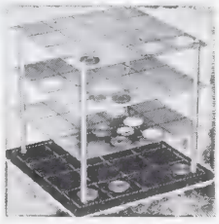
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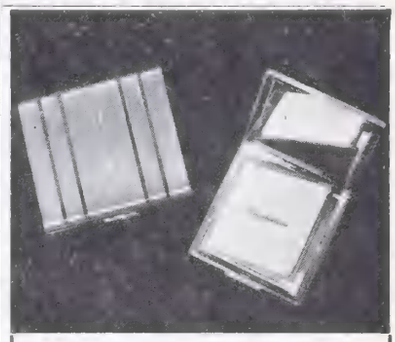
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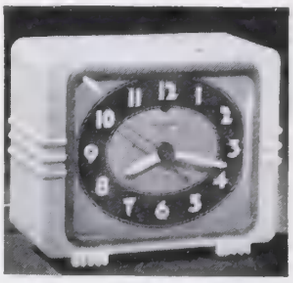
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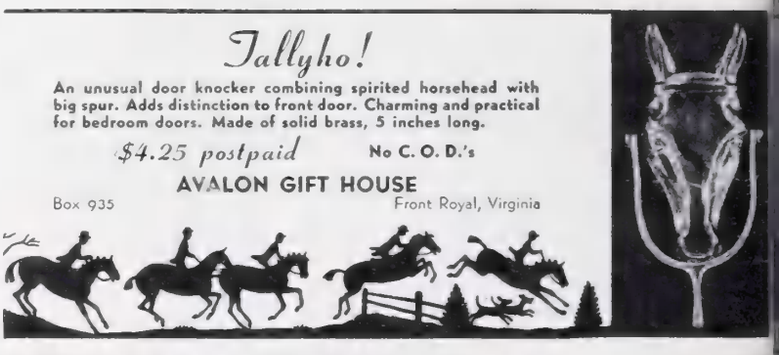
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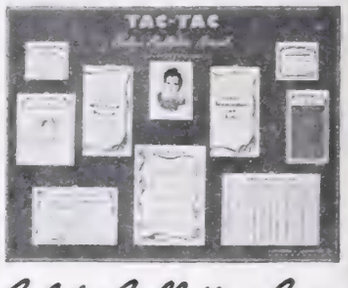




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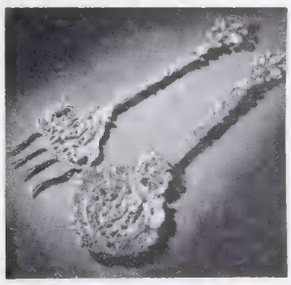
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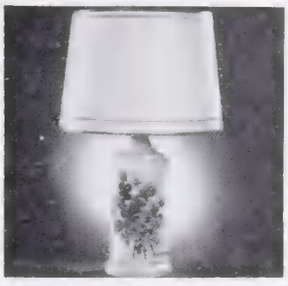
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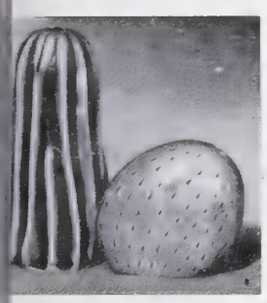


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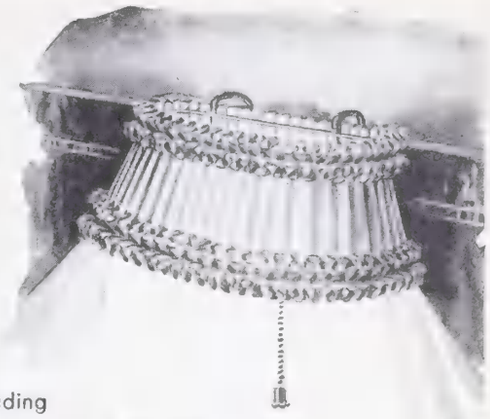
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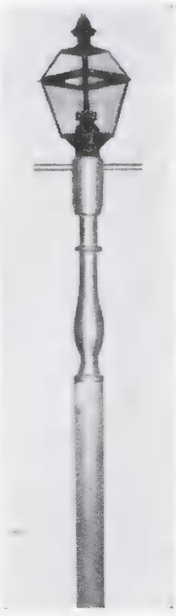


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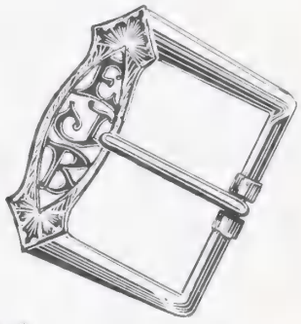
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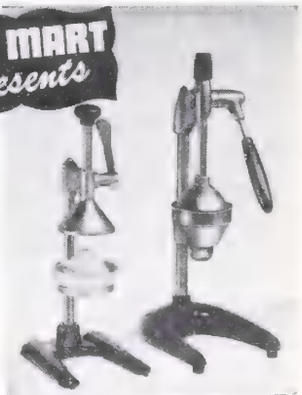
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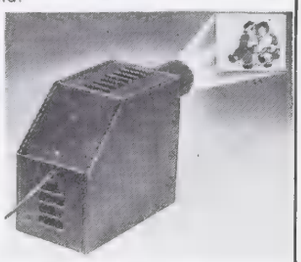
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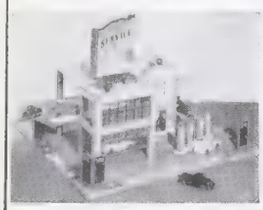
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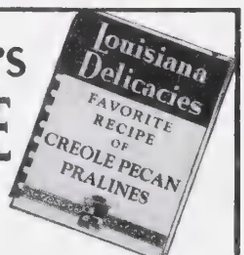
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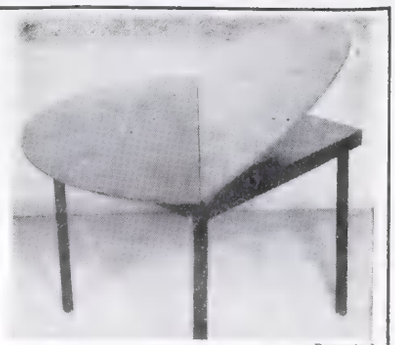
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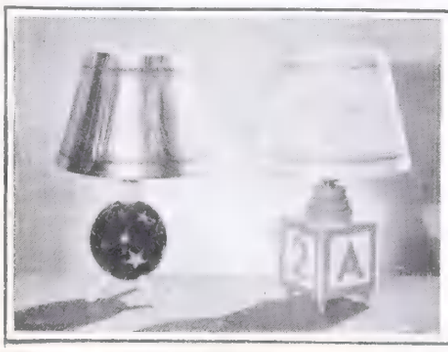
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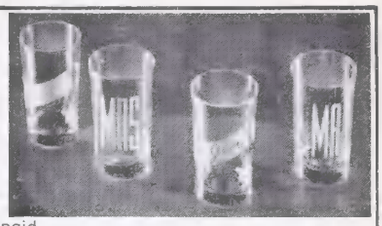
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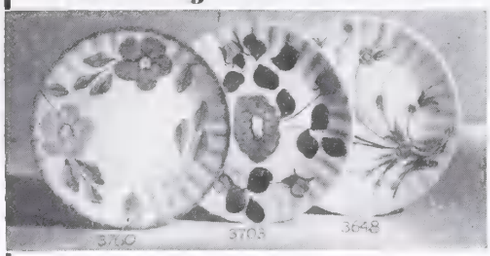
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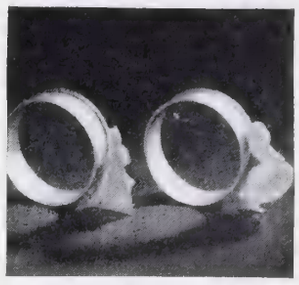
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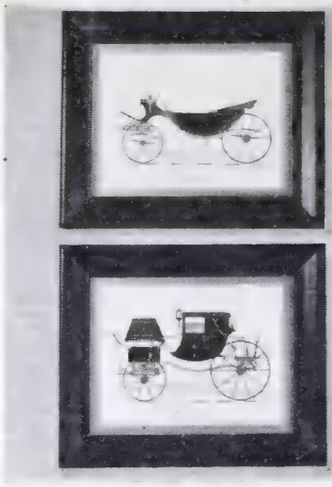
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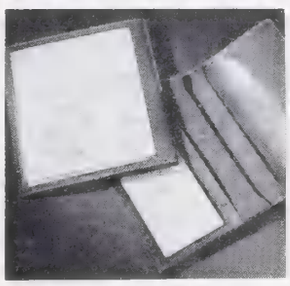
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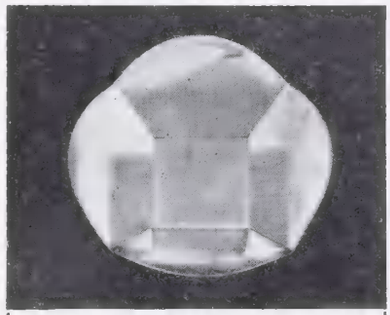
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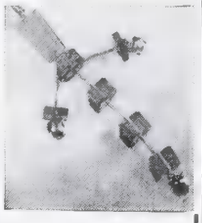
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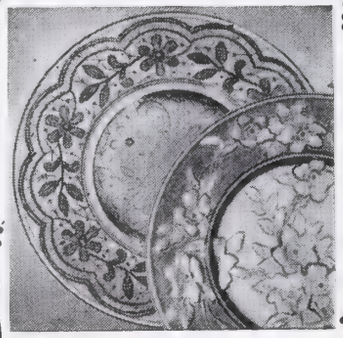


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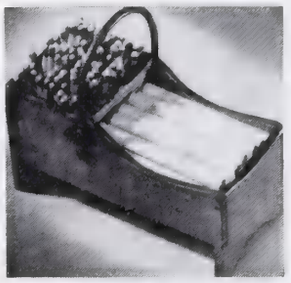
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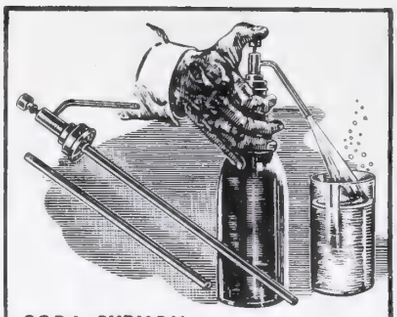
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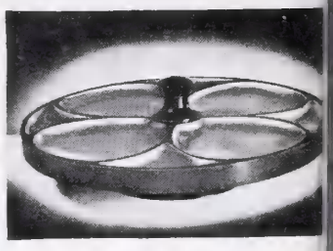


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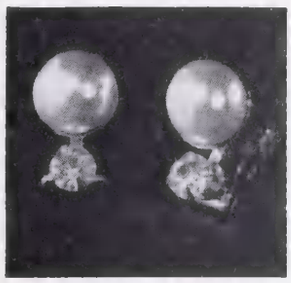
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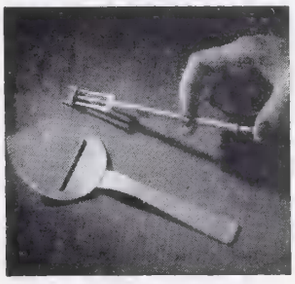
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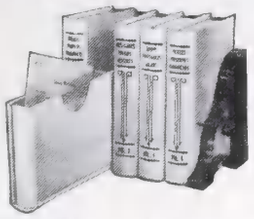
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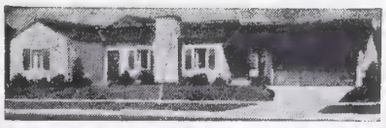
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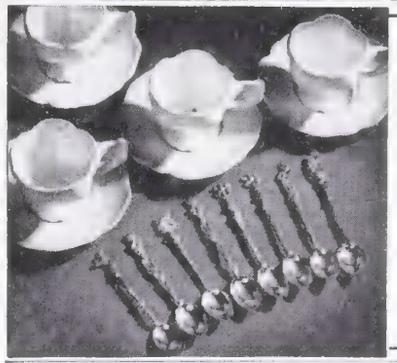
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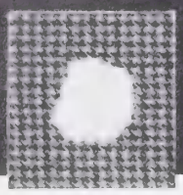
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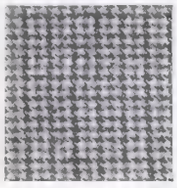
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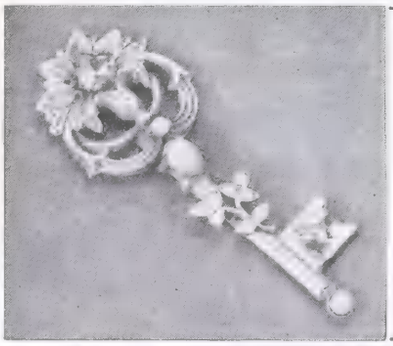
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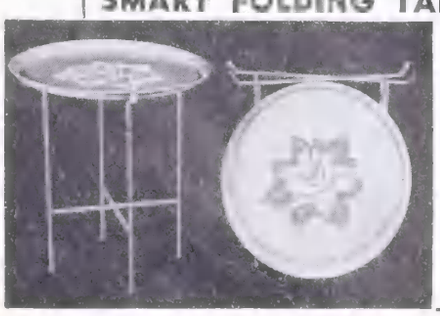
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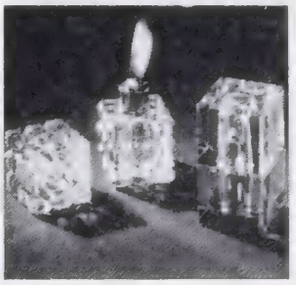
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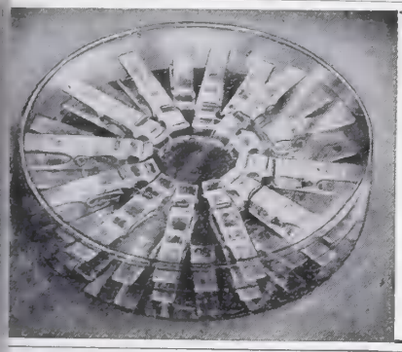


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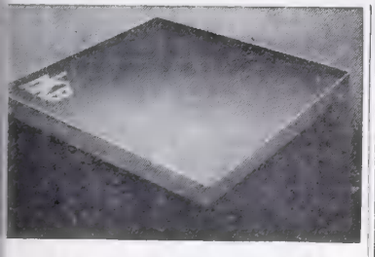
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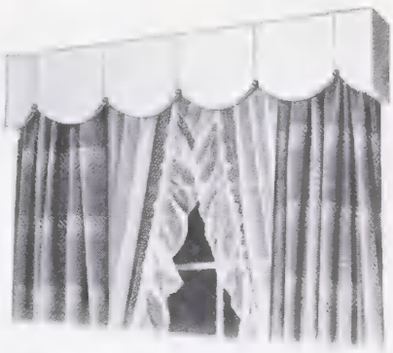
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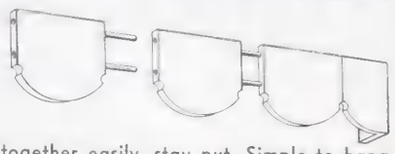
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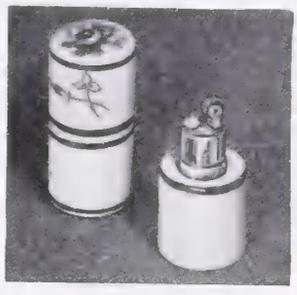


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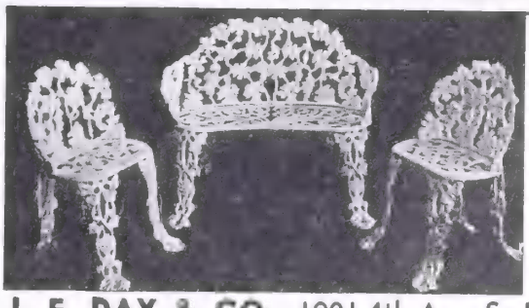
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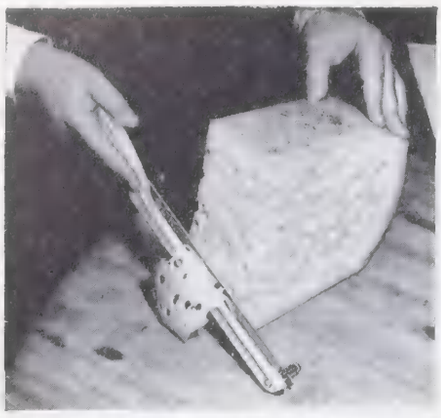
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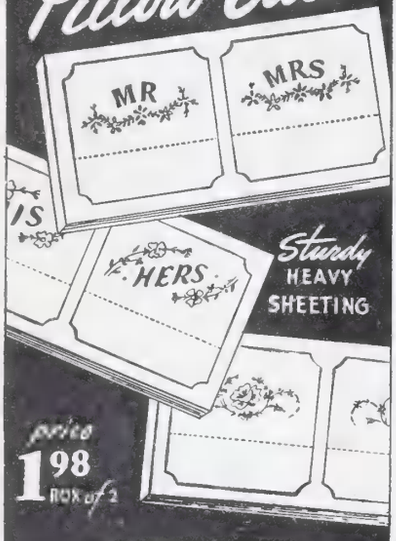
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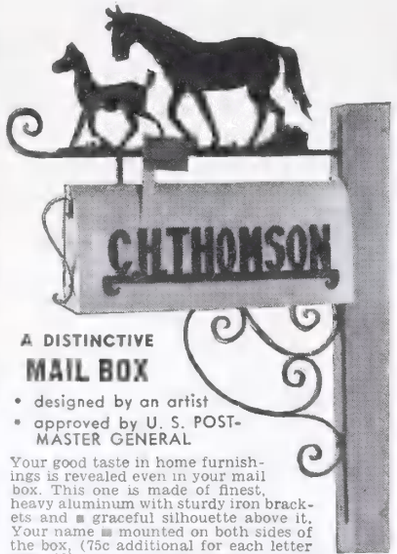
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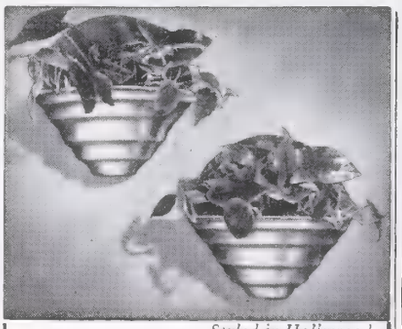
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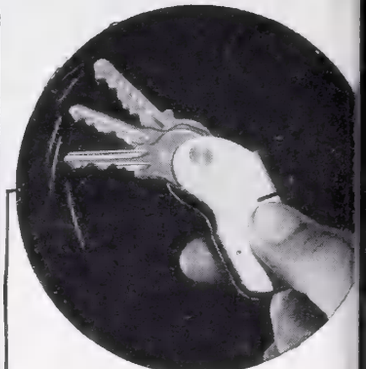
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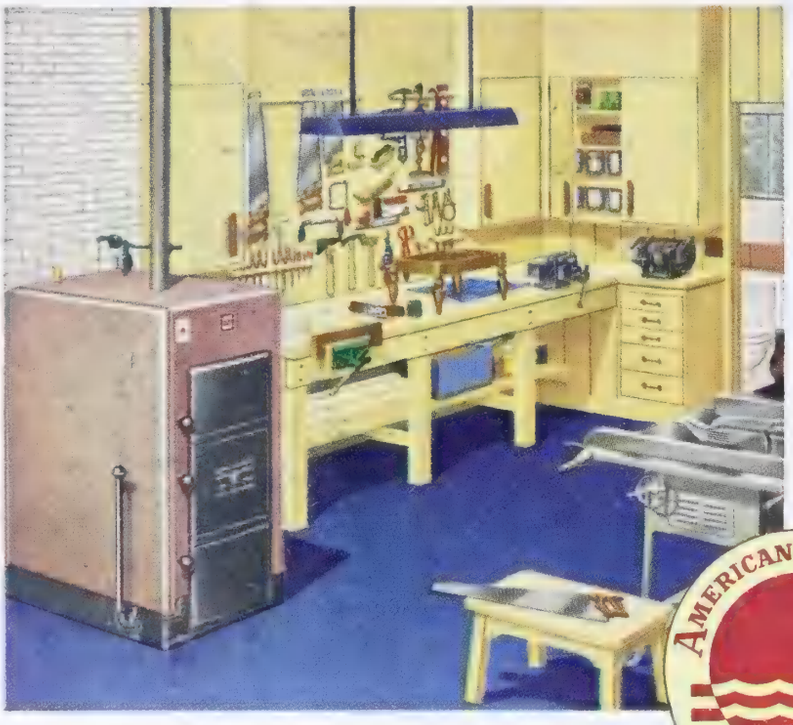
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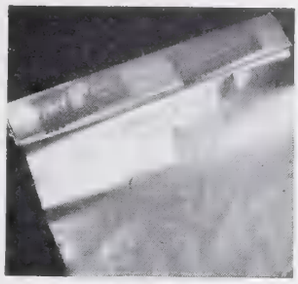
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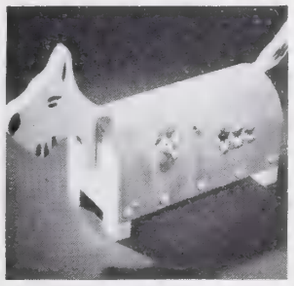
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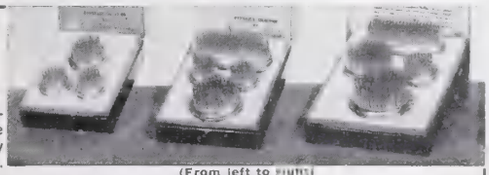
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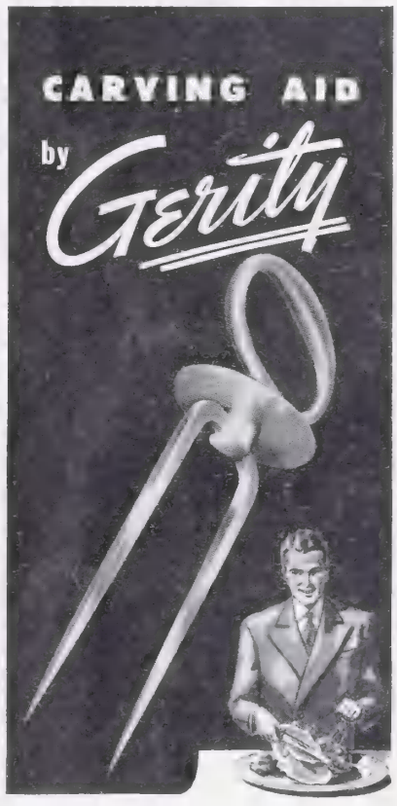
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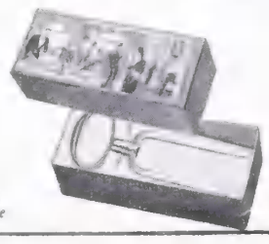
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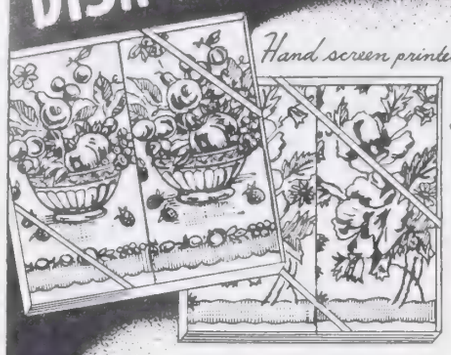
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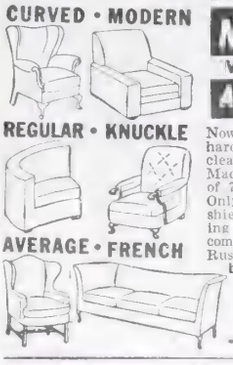
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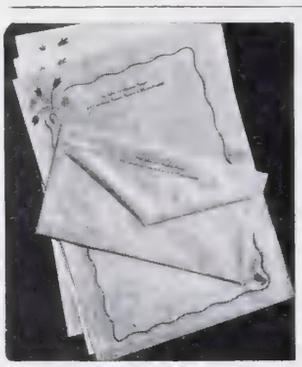
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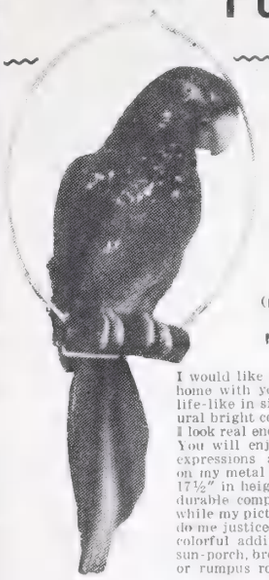
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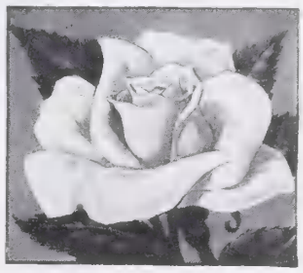
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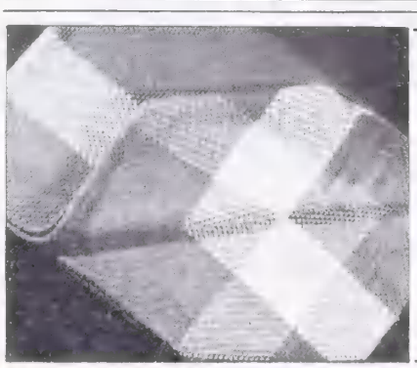
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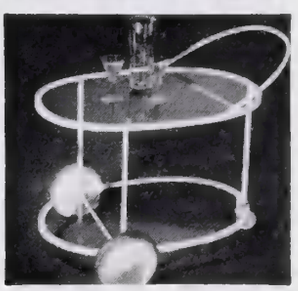
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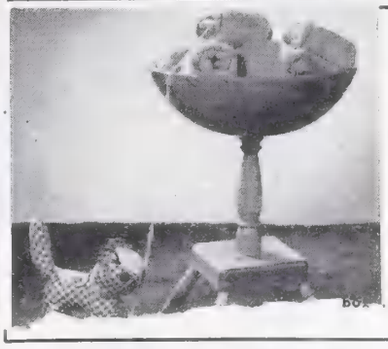
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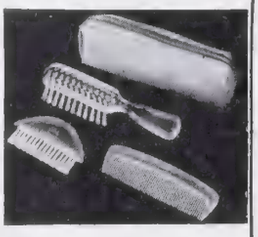
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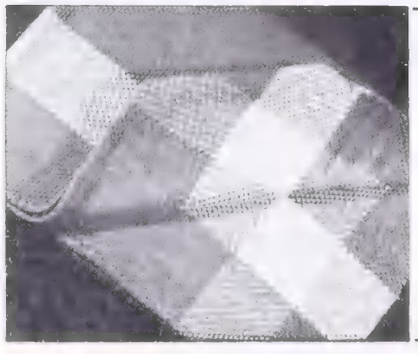
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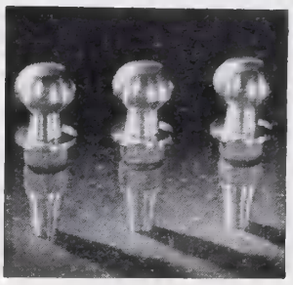
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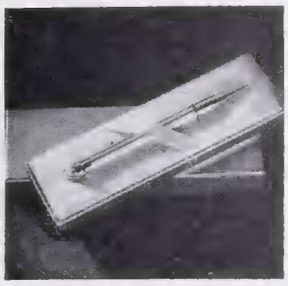
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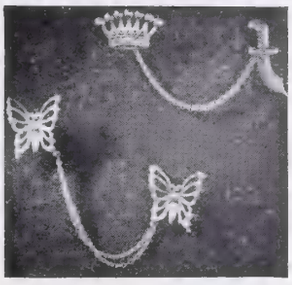
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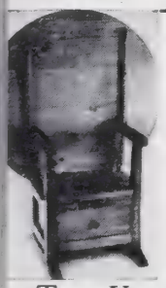


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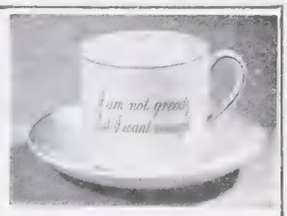
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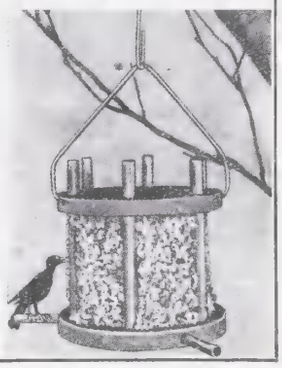
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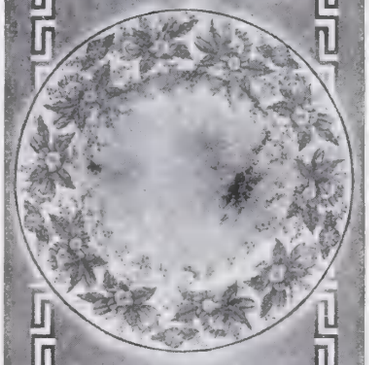
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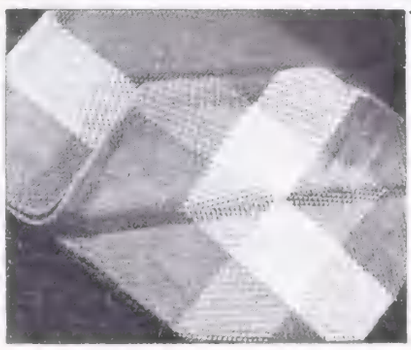
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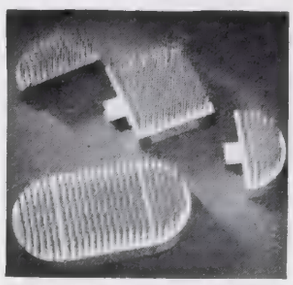
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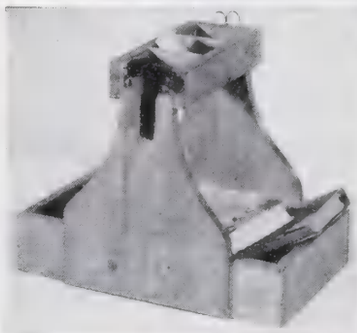
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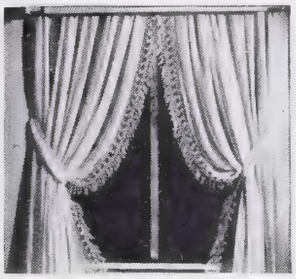


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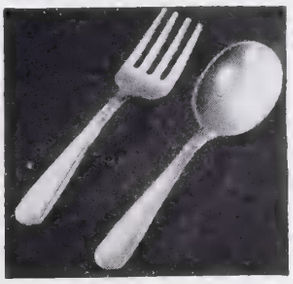
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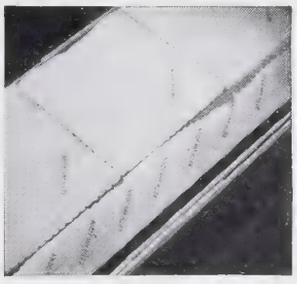
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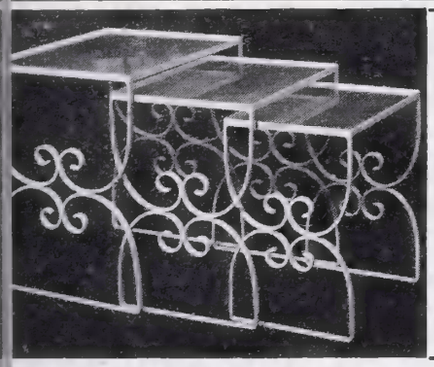


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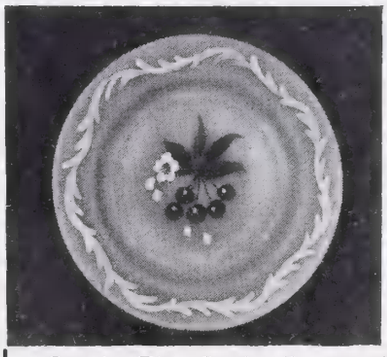
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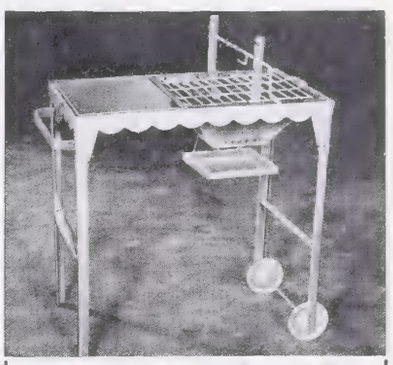
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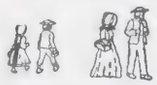
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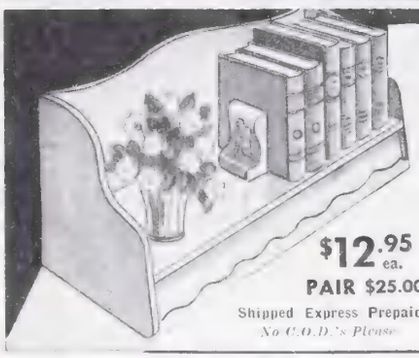


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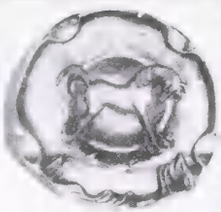
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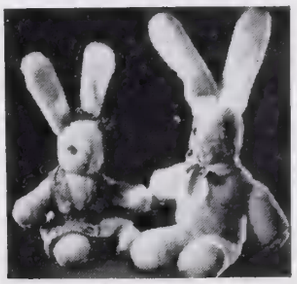
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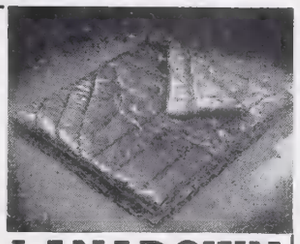
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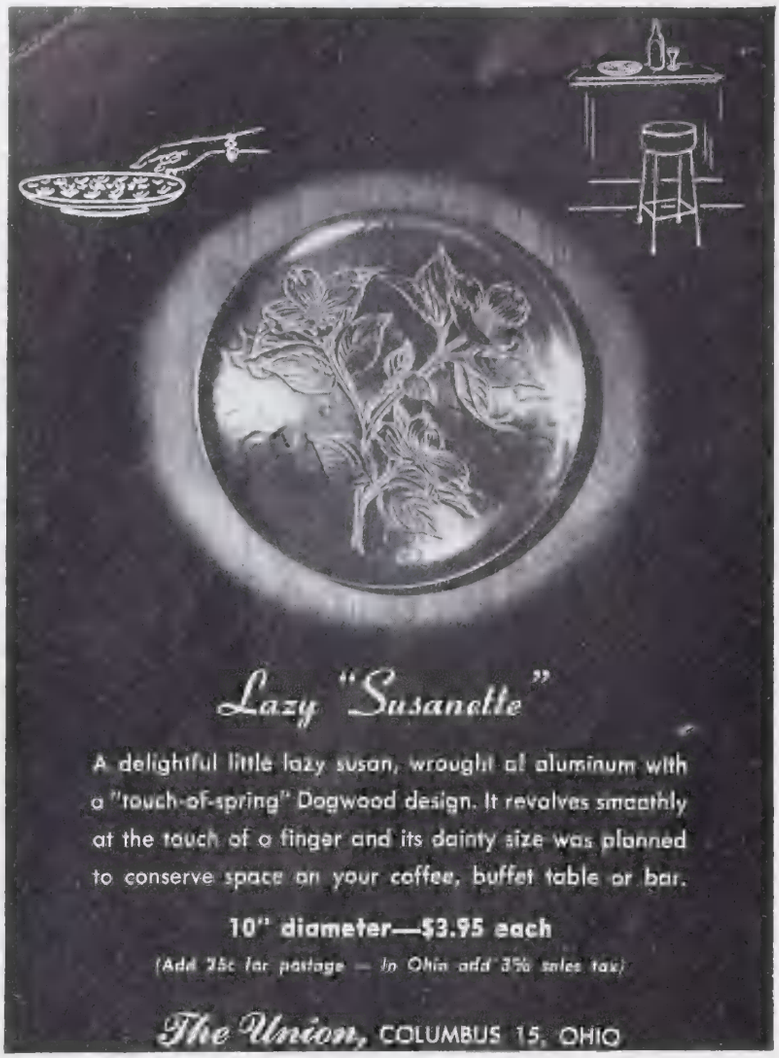
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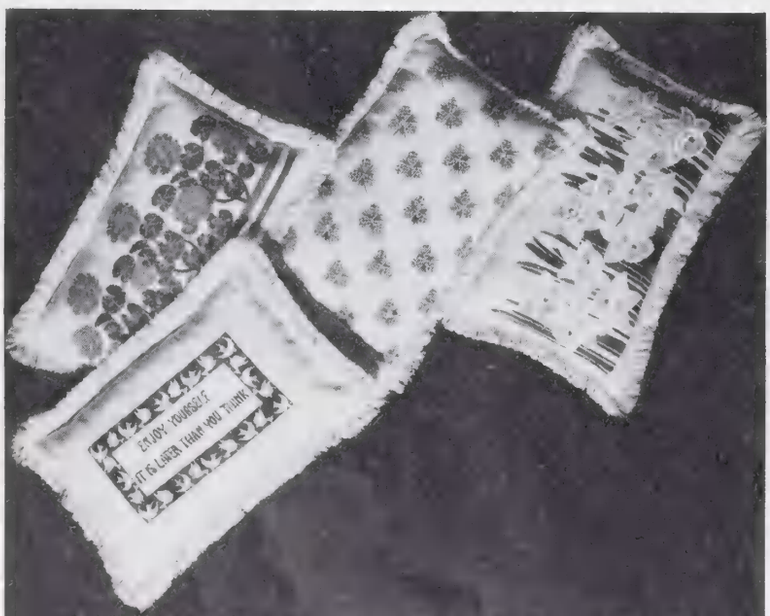
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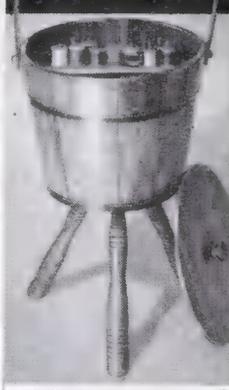
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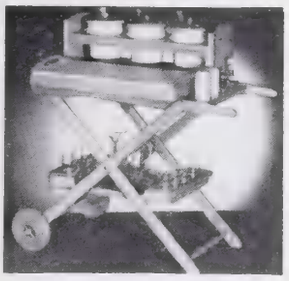
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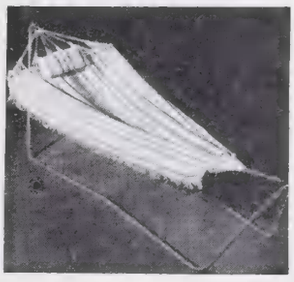
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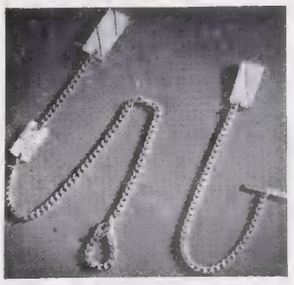
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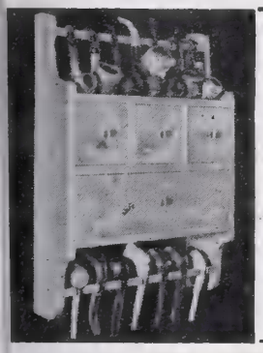


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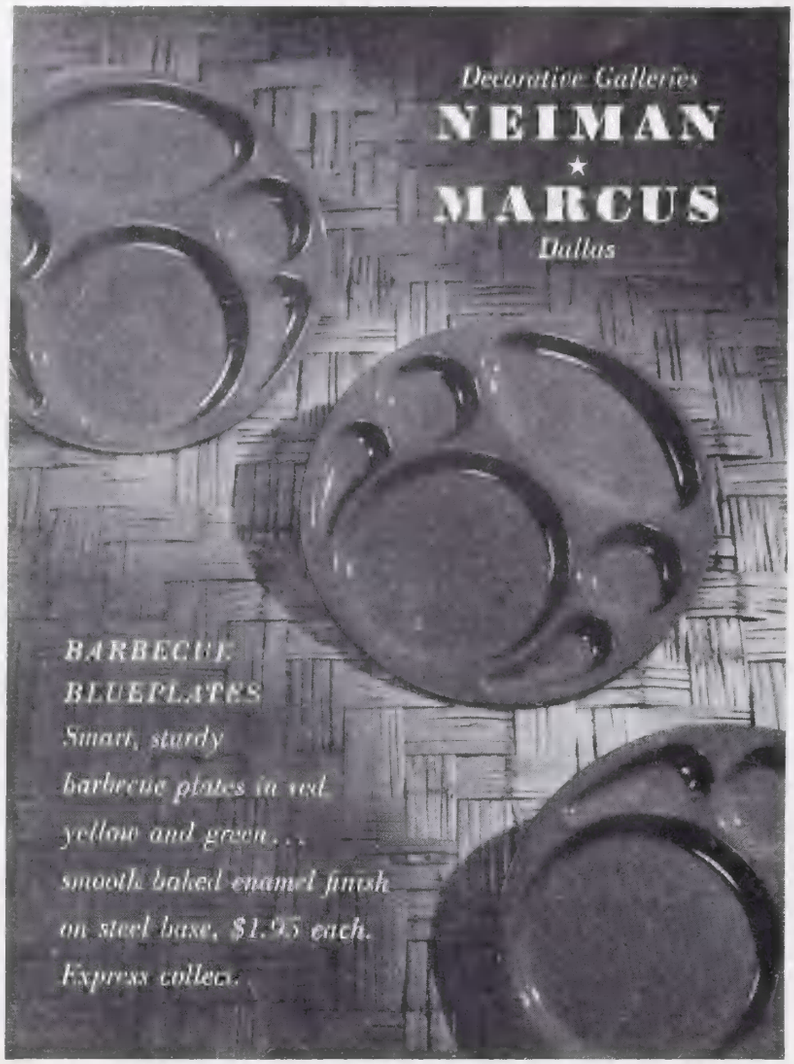
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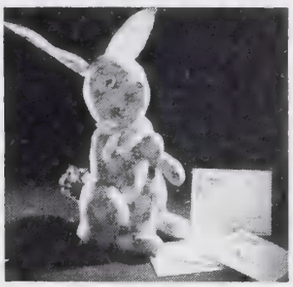
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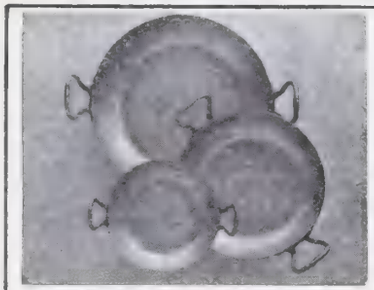
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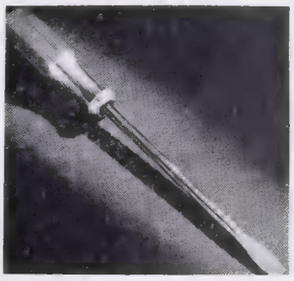
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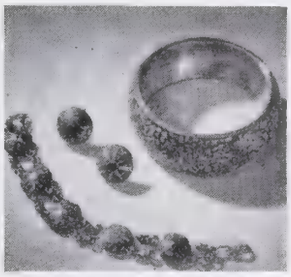
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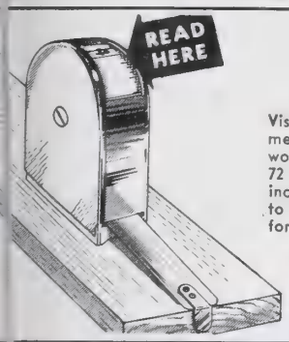


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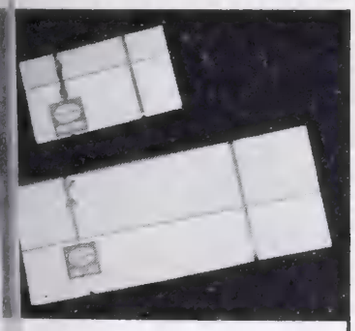
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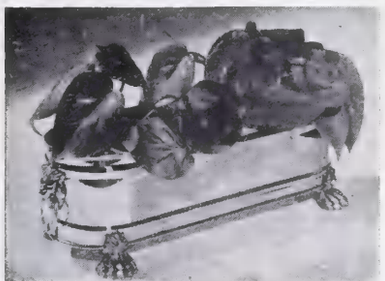
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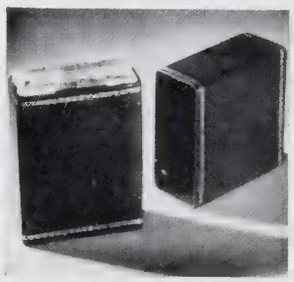
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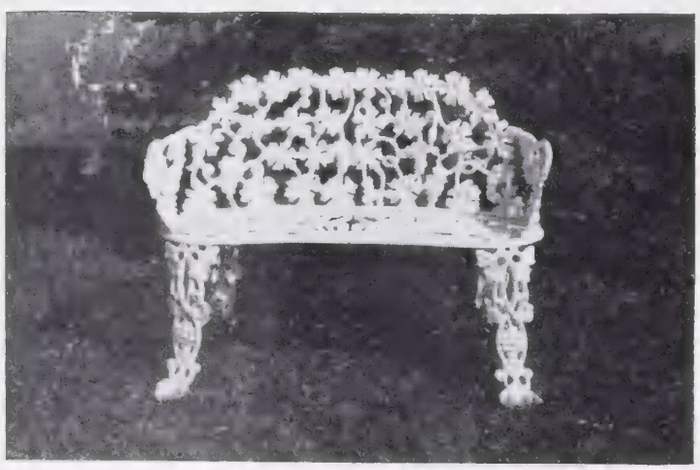


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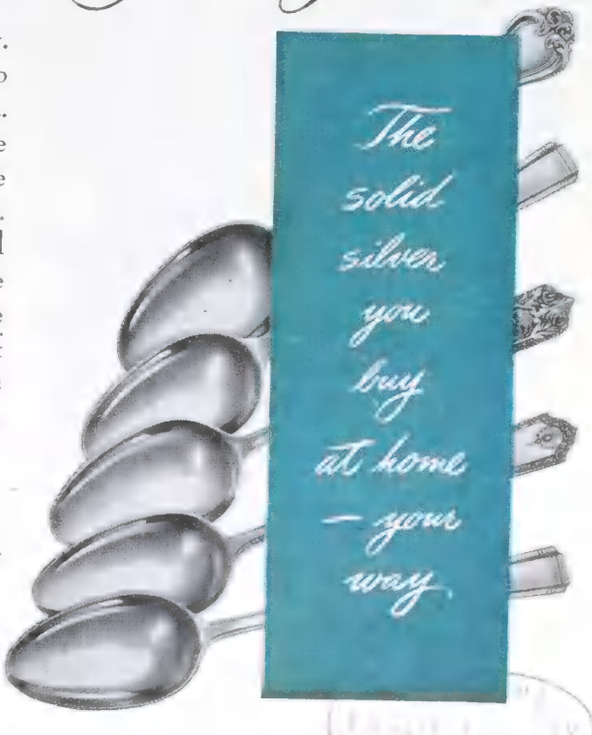
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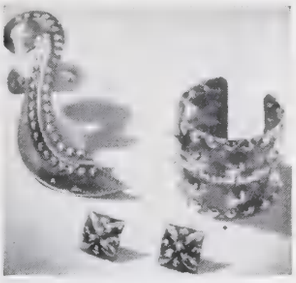
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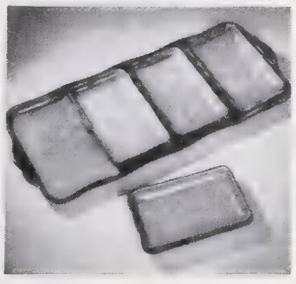
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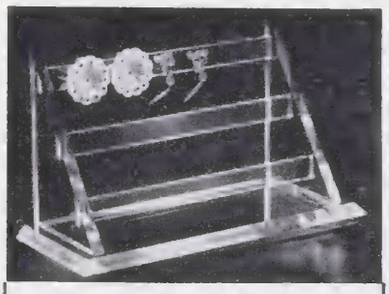
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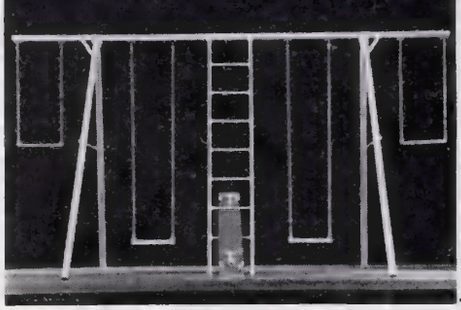
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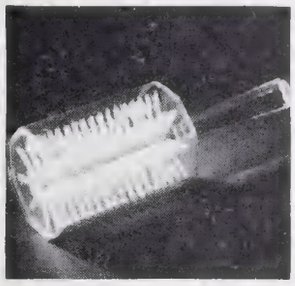
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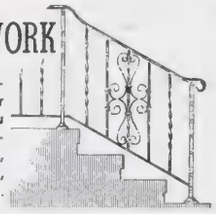
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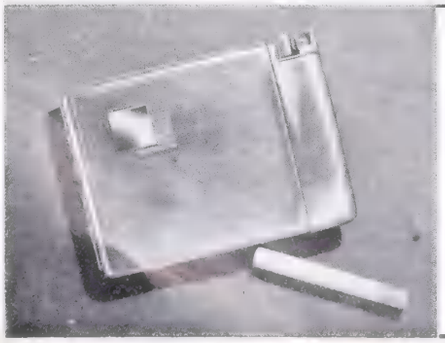
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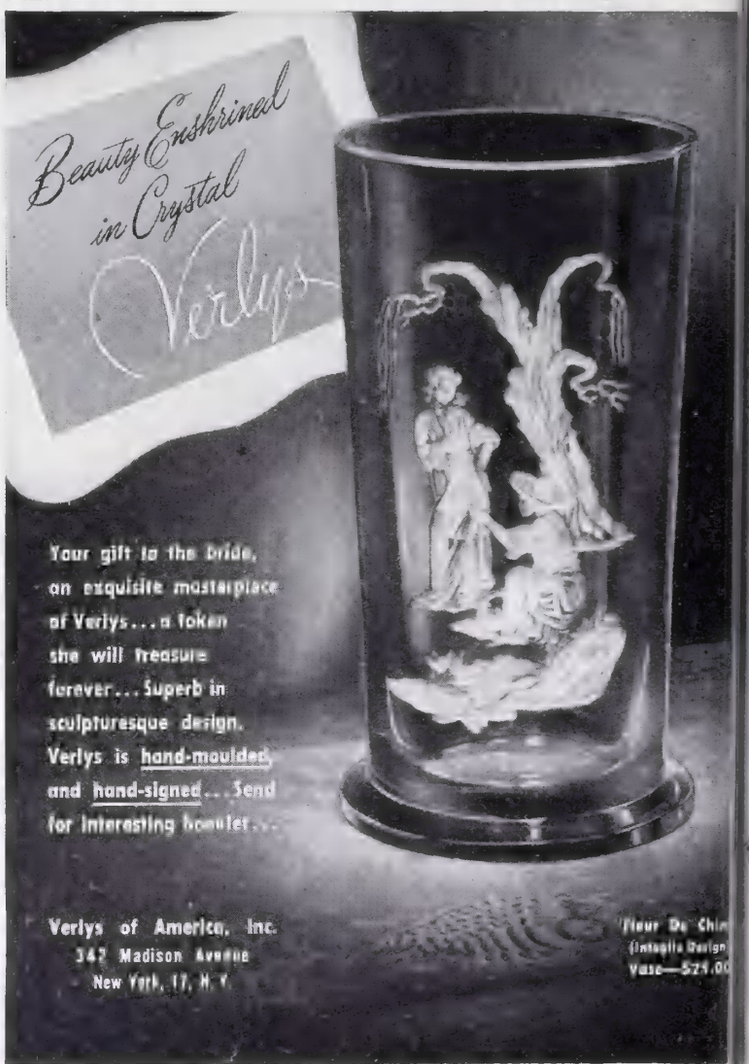


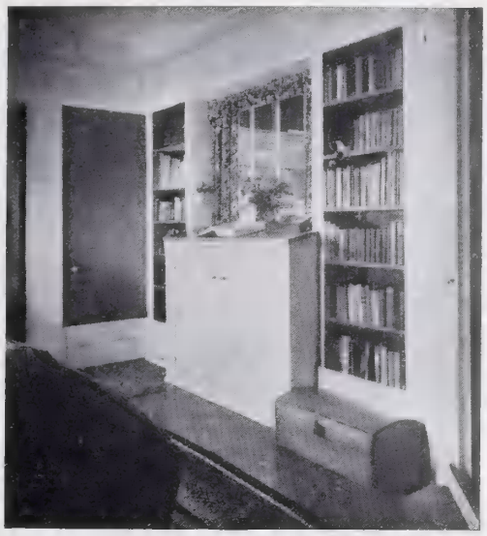
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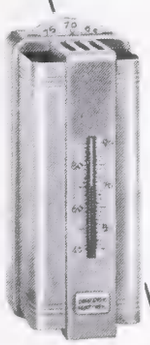
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What To Do If You Haven't A LINEN CLOSET

A decorative solution to one of the least-publicized and most trying shortages in the country: scarcity of linen storage

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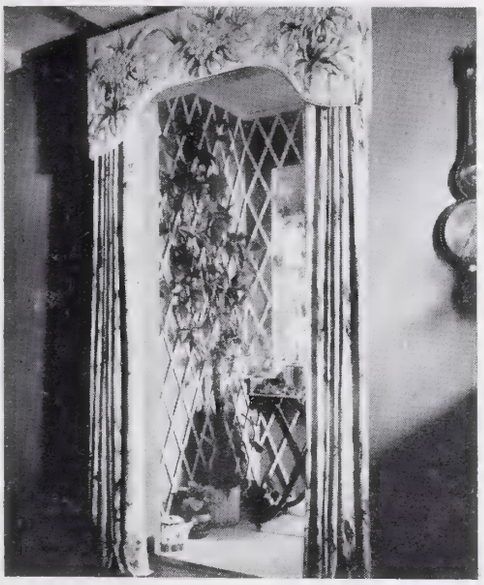


● House room for the fragile overflow from your linen closet: the delicate guest towels, napkins, and placemats that can't take too much pushing around. The shelves slide all the way out, so that you don't have to uproot everything in the front row to get to the things at the back

A Dramatic Setting for House Plants

Latticy background for bar-conservatory makes plants dramatic

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● Annette Frank, decorator, designed this leaf-green room for the Sam Bischoffs, of Los Angeles

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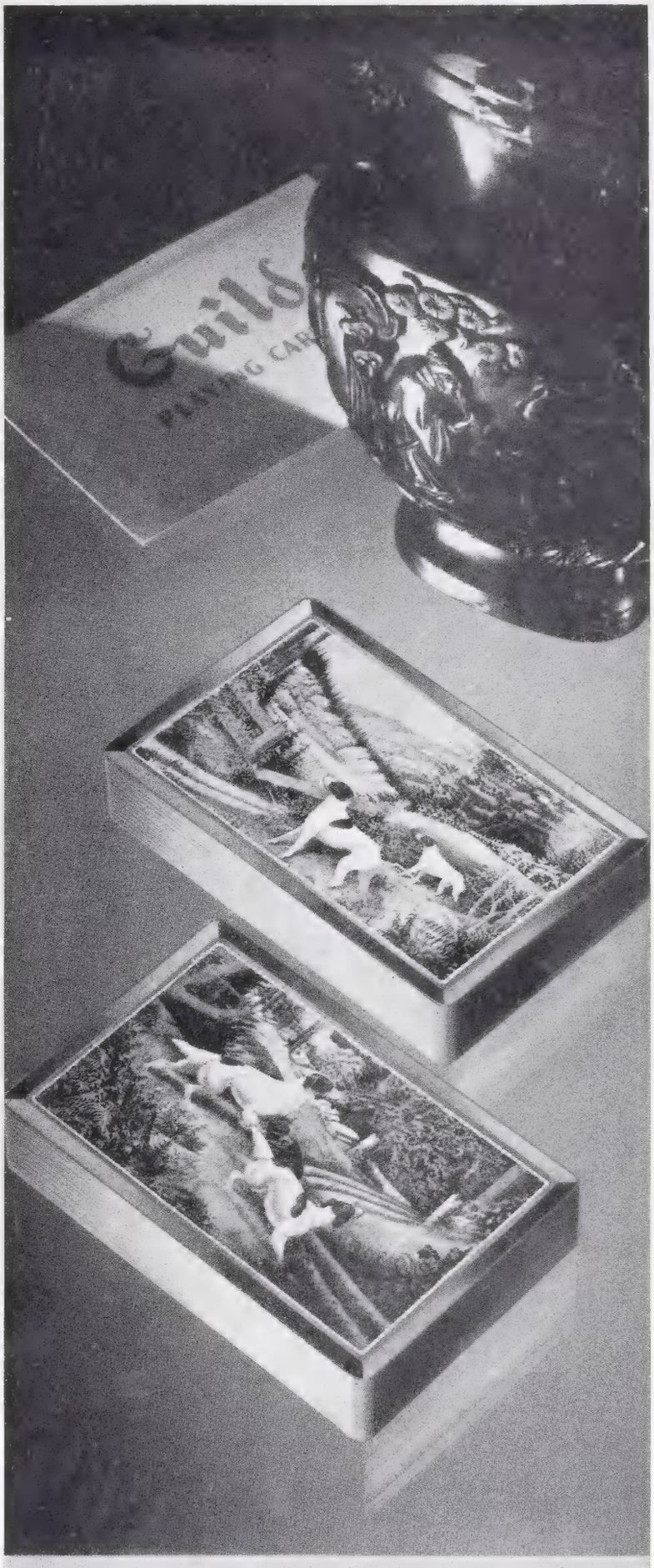


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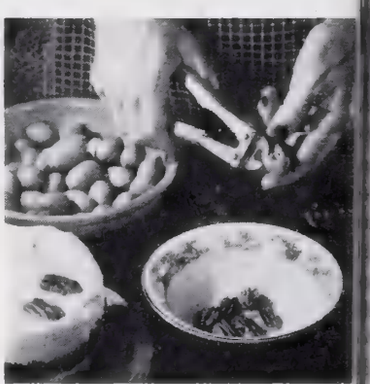
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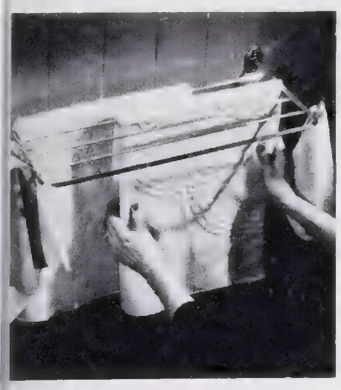
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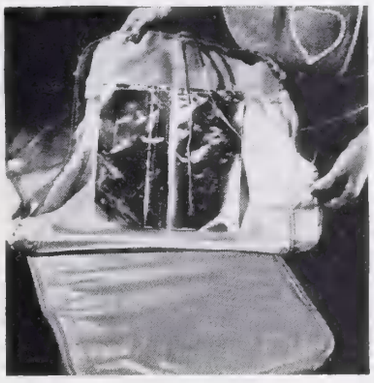


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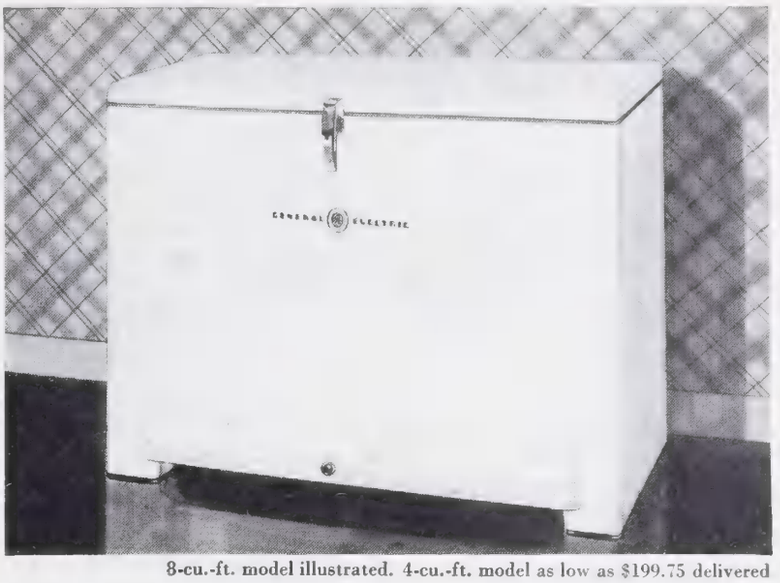
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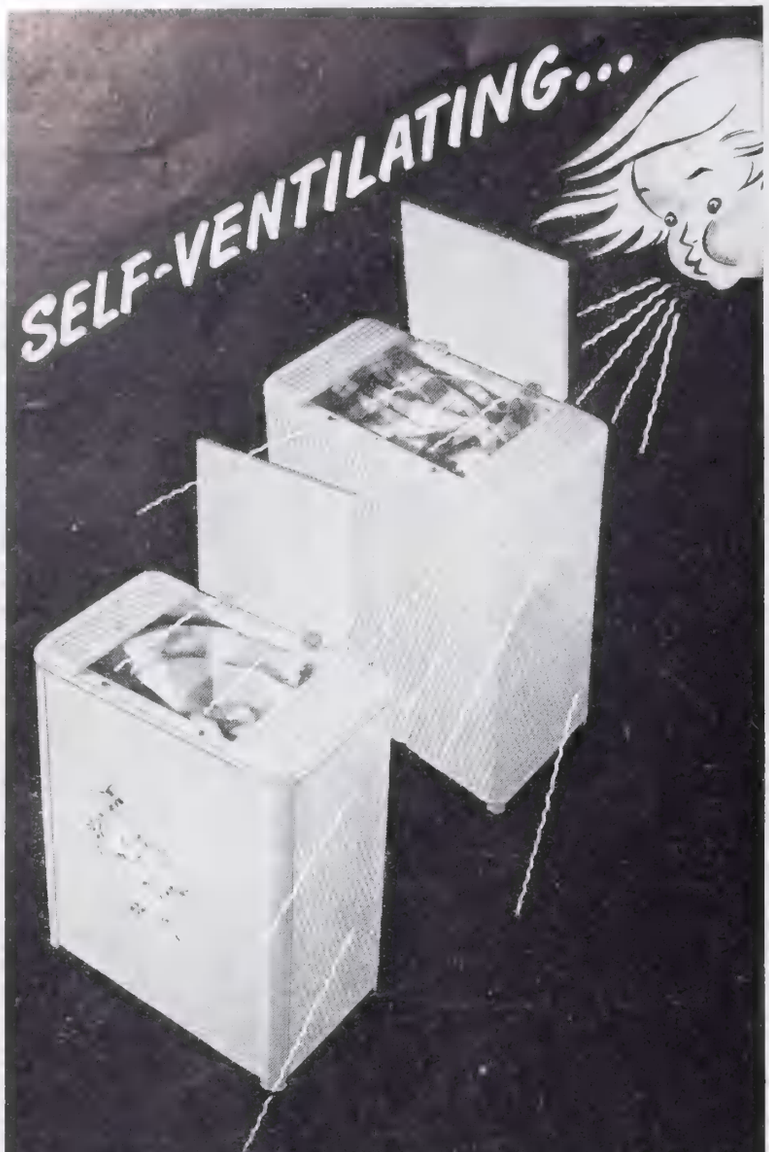
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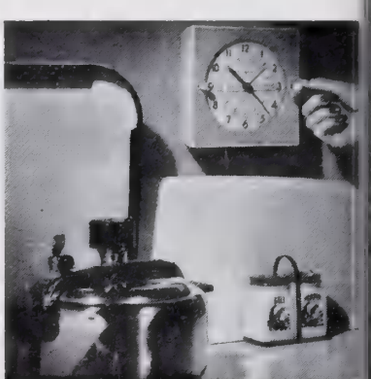
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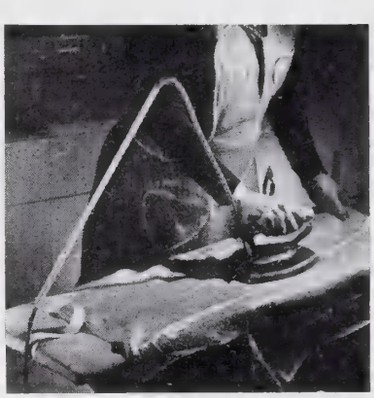
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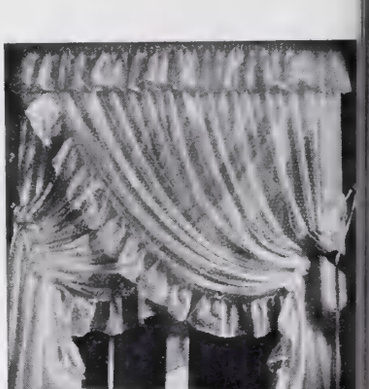
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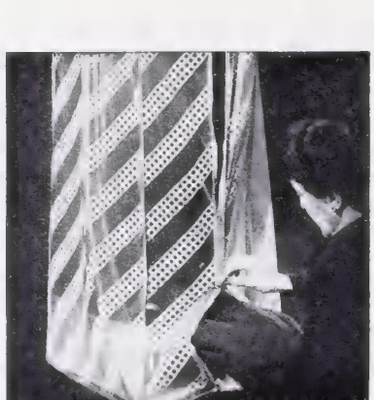




Here's a temper-saving ironing cord that provides its own strong arm to keep the cord from dangling, and tangling, and getting in your ironing path. The Alvin Flexible Ironing Arm spring-clips firmly to any board and moves freely in any position so the iron can glide across the entire board length without tension. The cord is always the right length. Complete with plug-end 9-ft. cord, about $2.5[illegible] Hengerer's, Buffalo, N. Y.

These lovely Cameo Shir-Back Priscilla curtains fall into a perfect, bunchless drape when you pull up and tie the shirring tape sewed into the diagonal ruffle-casing. And they stay beautifully draped through anything until you undo the tape. The fine cushion-dot white marquisette takes to draping like a dream—and to washing, too. For single, double, triple windows, about $7, $12, $20 at Jordan-Marsh, Boston, Mass.





This unique space-saving Stow-Away Plastron garment bag gives you the use of otherwise wasted storage area in the bottom. A separate 11-inch zipper opens lower end of bag for easy access to this plus storage space. The smart checkered design is fused right into the translucent plastic. White diagonal on rose, blue, white. Eight-garment, 54" and 42" about $6 and $4.50; 16-garment 54", $7; Gimbels, Pittsburgh, P[illegible]



Shower hounds will spark to the delights of this Speakman Anystream Self-Cleaning Shower Head. A turn of the easy-reach lever adjusts the slotted plungers for splashless-rinsing flood spray, normal spray, or needle spray. And its water flow is foolproof, for the slots clean out clogging sediment. Anyone can install the head in a few minutes on any old or new shower. About $13.50, Lewis & Conger, New York, N. Y.



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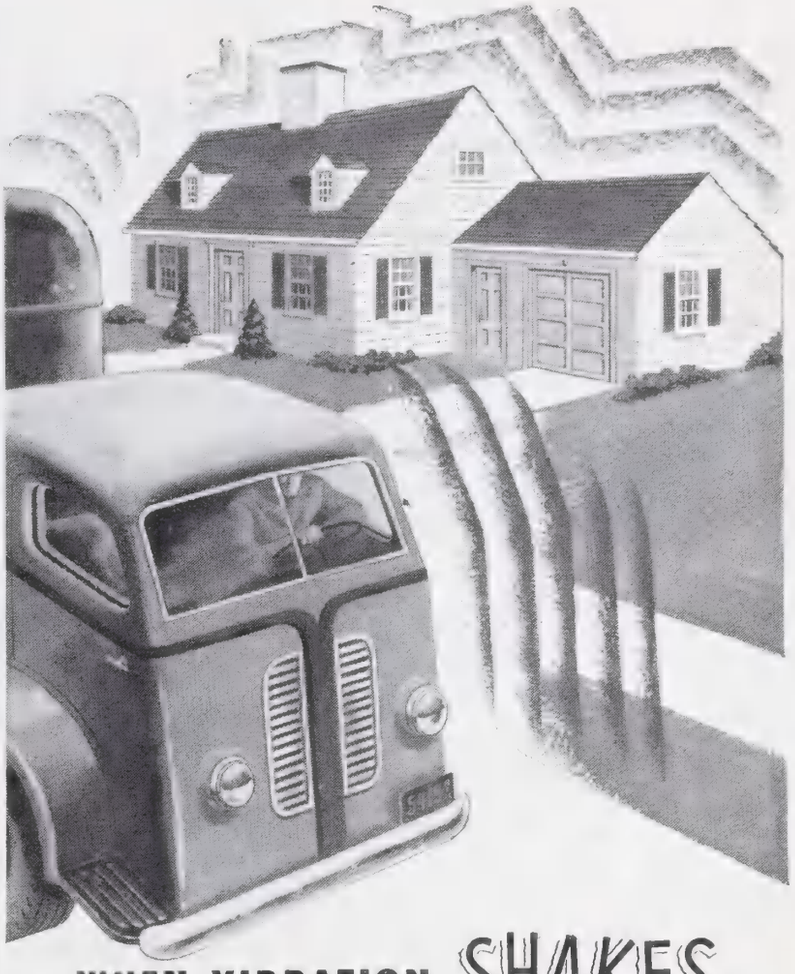
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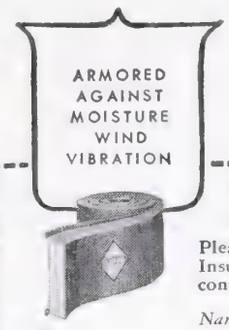
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How To Leave Home *and* LIKE IT

by Harry Price

In a natural development of present-day travel, escorted tours have taken to the air, and at this reading you've a choice of two—a 47-day special aerial tour of South America or a series of regular "flight-seeing" trips to Mexico City, Guatemala, Yucatan, and Cuba.

Los Angeles is the starting point for the 47-day special, and there's an open date on April 13. American, Eastern, Pan-American, and Panagra airlines are all co-operating in this American Express venture, which includes a two-day stopover in Guatemala and a call at Yucatan.

In the "flightseeing" series Mexico City is the first objective, and then on to Guatemala and Cuba.

And mentioning Cuba, if you haven't the time now for either of the above jaunts and you happen to be in Miami, why not pop over to Havana for cocktails and do a night-club or two? Pan-American has a fleet of fifty planes flying a "Night Club" run from Miami to Havana and return—that is, if they can pull you from the Casino or the fabulous Club Centro Asturiano. Normally they guarantee to get you back home by 1 A.M.

Railroads Come Through

By mid-summer greatly improved comfort in railroad travel, something that has been talked of for several years, will be in full operation. On most major roads you'll be able to get a good night's rest in the new double-deck *de luxe* Pullmans—individual roomettes with every accessory for comfort you can imagine. One or two of these double-deckers have been shown on various routes, but this will be the first time they will be in general use.

The Pennsylvania System will have 500, New York Central 50, and Seaboard, Chesapeake & Ohio, Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, and others will have varying numbers in operation.

Baltimore & Ohio have blazed a new trail in comfort with their "Cincinnatian," the first new train to enter service in the East since the war began—a luxurious coach streamliner that runs between Baltimore and Cincinnati in twelve-and-a-half hours. Such things as large non-fogging windows, scientifically designed individual reclining chairs, radio amplification systems in all cars, heating and air-conditioning, and no struggling and pushing to open the doors between cars. Just touch the pressure lever and the door opens—a welcome improvement.

Much Ado at Sea

There's much astir in the shipping world, and there's now every possibility of your being able to visit Britain and the Continent as a tourist. But even if obtaining passage and passport come easy, be careful. Living is still extremely rugged, and if you go merely for the sake of going, you're likely to return a very disgruntled traveler.

The British Isles, according to Lord Hacking, Chairman of the Travel Association of Great Britain & Northern Ireland, anticipates 60,000 American visitors this year, 150,000 in 1948, and a return to the prewar normal of 300,000 the following year.

While he notes that facilities are improving, particularly in the matter of transportation, he is frank to state that the food situation is pretty tight. Of the 3,600 hotels that had been requisitioned by the government during wartime some 2,700 have been returned to owners and are being rehabilitated and re-equipped.

Lord Hacking warns all prospective visitors: "Make certain before you leave America that accommodations are available where you want to go. And be sure that your return passage has been booked."

Caribbean Best Bet

Unless Washington has definitely declared the way open for tourist travel to Europe, the Caribbean remains the best bet, with the east and west coasts of South America also within reach, and Hawaii in the offing.

The Grace Line reports that in addition to its six vessels now in regular weekly service to Chile, five more ships, including the two famous

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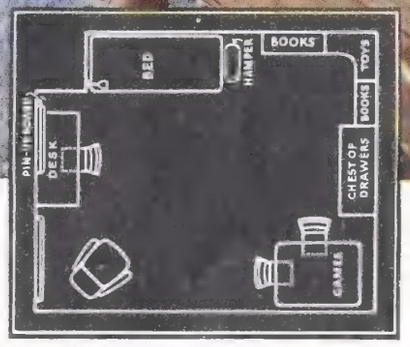
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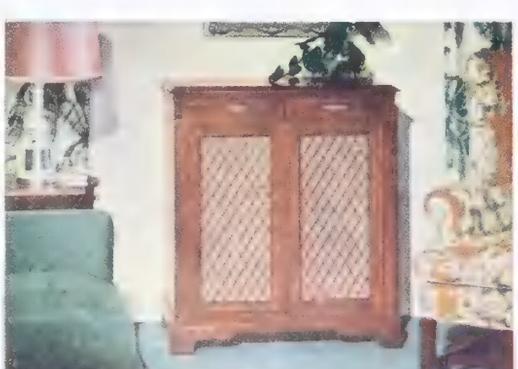
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Is there an answer to the housing shortage?

Is there an answer to the housing shortage? Emphatically, yes! The answer is the same as it is with any other shortage —production. The answer to a shortage question is always the same—greater production. And greater production of houses we are certain to get.

by Miles Colean

Considering the difficulties confronting the building industry in 1946, a good beginning has been made. During last year, over 670,000 new permanent houses were started and probably over 450,000 were completed. This was as great (or greater) an achievement than anyone well informed about the constructive industry predicted for that year. It represented an achievement in the face of inept

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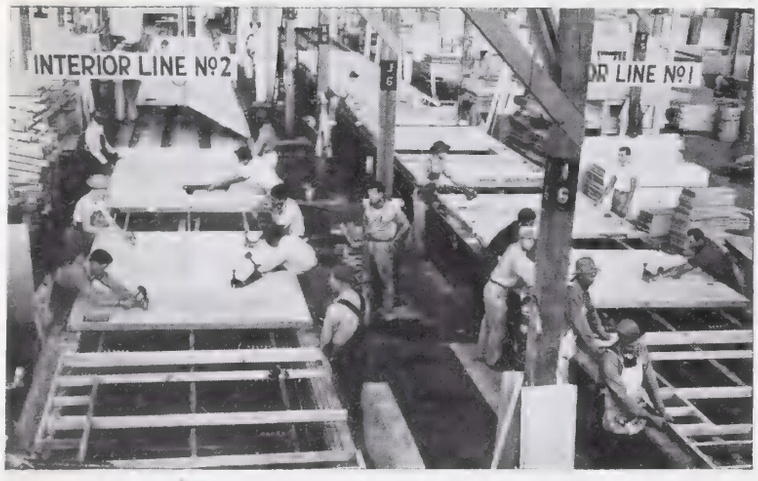
The Bright New Hope of the Building Business—

Industrialized housing



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Two of many assembly lines in the Kaiser factory.

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Assembled "storage walls" moving along to be painted.

Henry Kaiser may have solved the problem of mass manufacture of the small house, using partial prefabrication, a standardized chassis, and good land development. He produces a finished house in a finished community to sell for one price. Most important, he has licked the "rubber stamp" look dreaded by the public

The American people have long been demanding that the home builder match the automobile manufacturer by bringing to house construction the same modern materials, technical efficiency, economy, and engineered quality that the motor maker has brought to his product.

In working toward that goal, however, the builder has been confronted with obstacles the motor maker has not had to face. Human beings are always slow to change their fundamental ideas. Nowhere has this been more evident than in



No "rubber stamp" look in Kaiser communities, despite mass production

Air view of new Kaiser development shows how a system of "fundamental variables" produces variety by varying roof lines and foundations. Kaiser believes that factory production must be coupled with land development to produce a finished, ready-to-move-into house; that building houses in quantities in factories still does not provide shelter because land preparation takes time and experience.

our people's attitude toward the home as a place to live. They cling to deep-rooted notions of what a house should look like, how it should be made, and what it should do.

Indeed, many of those attitudes are almost buried, and people do not realize they have them. The home builder consequently has been met with a somewhat paradoxical situation. On the one hand, he heard insistent cries that building be industrialized to bring it abreast of other major parts of our national economy. On the other, he bumped head-on into firmly founded convictions about the appearance and structural nature of the house.

On the rock of this conflict, many an ambitious experimenter in housing has been wrecked or badly damaged.

But Henry J. Kaiser and Fritz B. Burns, the heads of Kaiser Community Homes, believe they have created a home-building formula that will resolve that conflict.

They think they have discovered how to produce houses by advanced industrial methods without sacrifice of beauty and fine individual styling. They believe that they have found out how to build homes that people will want to live in, and at prices they can afford to pay.

To a factory-minded nation, putting houses together in a plant looked like the most sensible technological answer to the home-builder's problem. Hence was born, in the early 1930's, the prefabricator. He standardized the design of the house, cut that standard pattern into wall, ceiling and floor panels, and then fabricated those sections in a plant according to established mass production techniques.

The prefabricator drew the public spotlight. He was hailed as the probable savior of the industry, the man who would lead it out of the dark woods of technical backwardness into the light of a great and continuing volume market for housing.

The only trouble was that virtually no one bought the houses he made, until war created a huge emergency demand for almost any brand of housing in the shortest possible time.

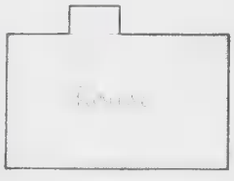
Why did the prefabricator have such poor luck until the war buoyed him up? Because he, in his intense pre-occupation with the technical phase of house-building, ignored important social and psychological factors. He did little to take the factory stamp off his product. He learned people don't want houses to look mass produced (*Text continued on page* 117)

For more pictures of this housing project, turn the page



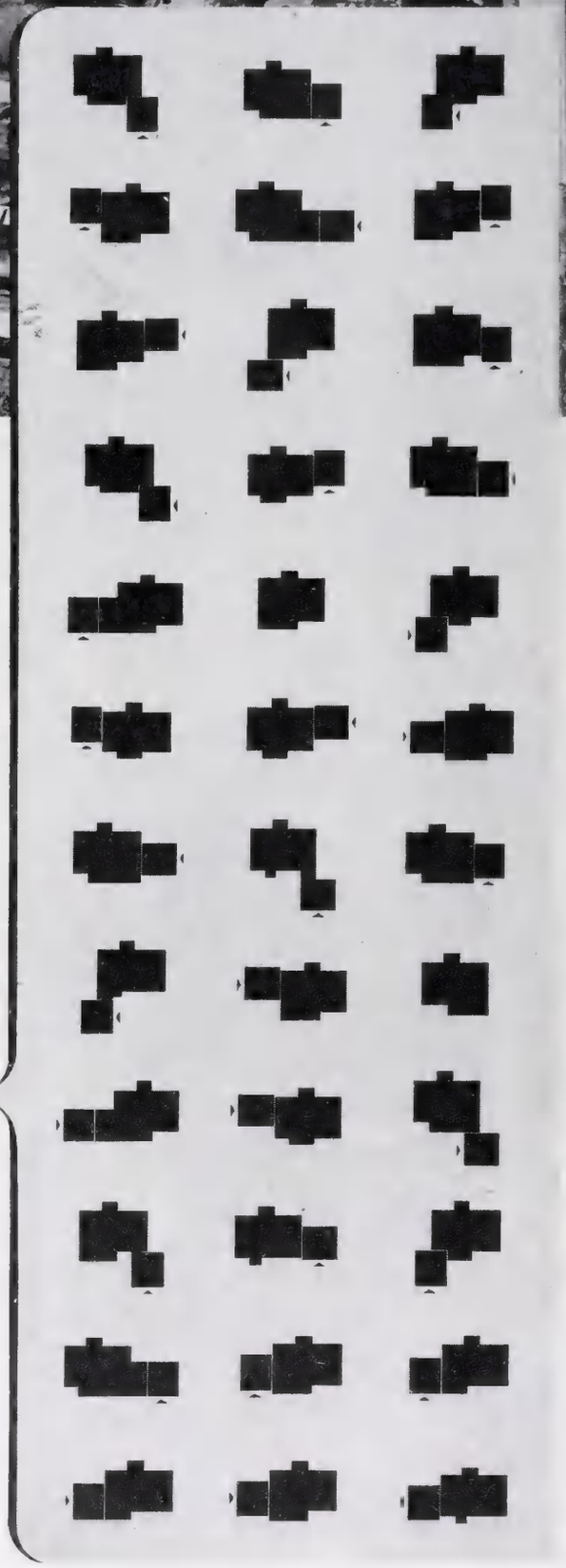
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Note how constantly the changing roof masses and site arrangements keep monotony out of a Kaiser community.

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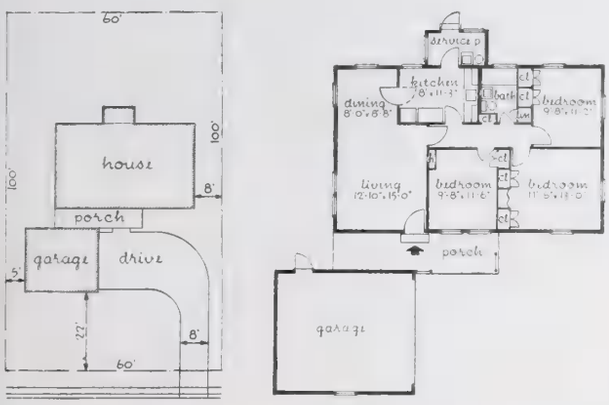
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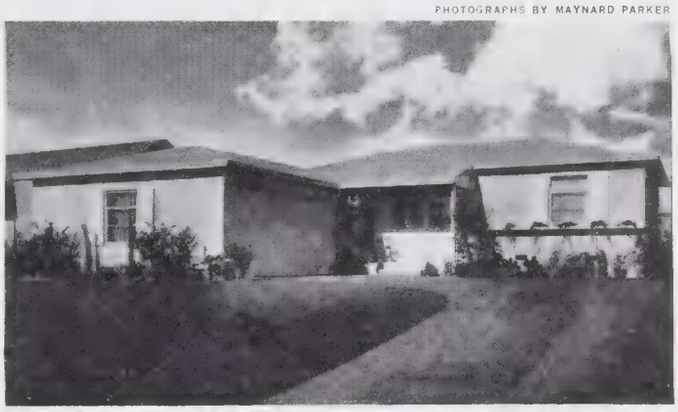
By rearranging such variables as garages, porches, roofs, colors, materials and placement-of-house-on-land, Kaiser could produce 740 different changes of appearance with only the one standardized floor plan

It's the same house

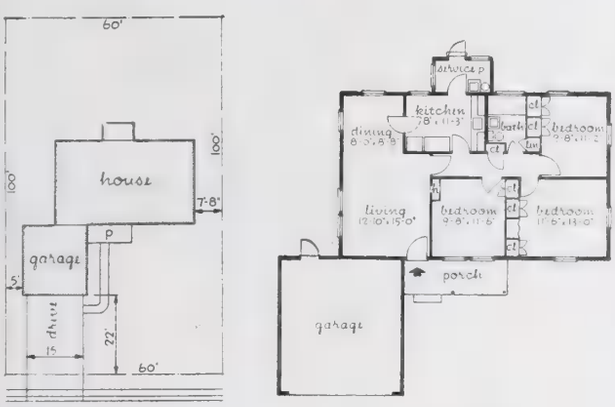


Though all houses have the same floor plan, there's no lack of individuality. Exterior treatments differ, site arrangements differ. This scheme has garage detached from house.

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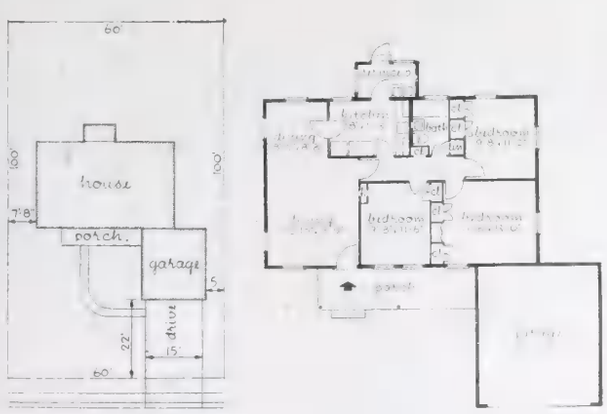
Using stucco for wall material, a hip roof, light colors, you get a house of Modern appearance. Garage opens from side allowing parking space on lot. Front porch is a breezeway.



Garage is attached directly to front of house and is turned to face street, reducing size of driveway. Front porch is smaller. This is the house that we show on the front cover.



This Early American version with gable roof, shingle siding, Colonial trim is our cover picture. Note how varying type of roof, porch, wall materials, garage changes whole aspect.



Moving the garage to the right creates a large porch between front door and garage wall. It also allows a front window in living room, moves front bedroom window to left.



Low, sloping roof lines, long front porch, a dado of dark, horizontal boarding make the Traditional house seem wider than others. But it is the same size house, same floor plan.

Next pages show how varied the interior decorating schemes can be



To prove that an identical floor plan presents no handicap to the individuality of the furnishings, Kaiser Community Houses asked Bullock's, the Los Angeles department store, to furnish three houses. Across top of these pages you see the same view of master bedrooms. Rooms show variations in window placement.



Modern bedroom, photographed from the same angle as Traditional room at left, has its wall space at each side of front window filled with The Mengel Company's bleached w chests. Expert calculation has provided ample wall space rather small bedroom, 11'6" x 13'. Fabrics, N. Sumergrade C

No Monotony

—despite standardizatio

See how versatile a factory-cut home can be. The back bedroom in three similar houses is furnished for a different occupant. The Traditional family goes to work with pastel paint and dotted net, tucks a crib in a draftless corner, and gives the room to the baby. Furniture, Storkline Furniture Corp. "Tumble Twist" rug.

Where the Modernists live, the young man of the house gets back bedroom with appropriate plaid walls and rough-textu fabrics. His sofa-bed runs along one window wall, and the bed the frequent overnight guest takes the other wall. A square ner table, for lamp, books, and what not, connects them nea







The Provincial bedroom, identical with the Modern, takes another tack in decoration. The window, flanked by broad-matted costume prints, is the center of a reading group. Chest of drawers is set against the side wall. It is the rare small house that can boast so uncrowded a bedroom-sitting room. Furniture, Mengel Co.

Standard Specifications for these Houses

Foundations: Concrete walls and footings. **Floor construction:** 4'x8' plywood floor panels laid over ready-made 8'x12' frames. Panels built up of 4 plys of 1/10" Douglas fir plus top surface ply of 1/8" Douglas fir. Top surface is scored into 12"x12" squares. **Exterior walls:** Ready-made frames of 2"x4" studs on 16" centers. Made as room-size panels, they are covered on job by wire, felt, stucco mesh over which a 7/8" coat of Portland cement plaster is applied. Plaster gets sand textured finish, colored coat of waterproof cement paint. **Interior walls:** Ready-made wall frames have 1/4", 3-ply Douglas fir plywood nailed to them. Wall-Kraft fabric applied over this on job as finish covering. **Ceilings:** Ready-made 8'x12' panels finished like interior walls. **Roofs:** 2"x4" and 2"x6" pre-cut rafters. 3/8" and 5/16" 3-ply Douglas fir plywood sheathing and asphalt strip shingles applied on job.

The back bedroom in the Provincial house is a "room of her own" for the teen-age daughter, flouncy and crisp as a peasant skirt. A dado, a wallpapered ceiling, and a different furniture arrangement make it as unlike the neighbors' back bedrooms as their occupants are unlike each other. Furniture, The Mengel Company.



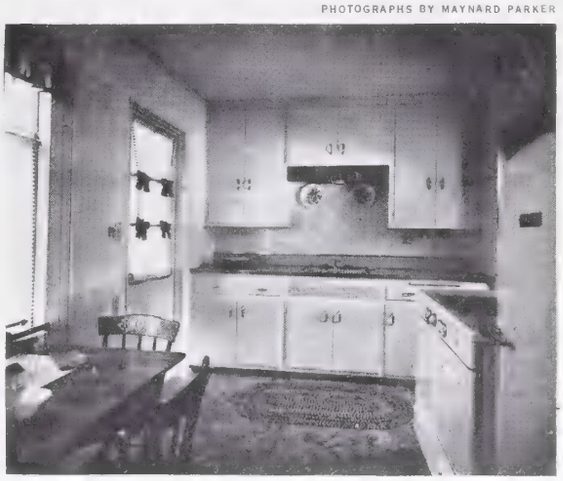


Even the kitchen in a standardized house can be individualized by color and accessories. In the Traditional house the table has a Formica plastic top. Equipment: Servel refrigerator and Wedgwood range.



Ivy wallpaper, covering not only walls but the ceiling, too, and trimming the counter cannisters, smartens up the Modern kitchen. Table has a frosted glass top. Wedgwood stove and Frigidaire.

PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



Stenciled chairs, a pine table, gingham ruffles, and a rag rug carry the country warmth of the Provincial house into its kitchen. Refrigerator is a Hotpoint. "Quality" stove, Roberts and Mander.

See bathroom variations on page 218

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This is the same room in 3 different houses

1 These three den-guest rooms in three identical houses occupy the smaller front bedroom on the plan. (See page 109.) Room below is hypothetically owned by a lover of 18th-century mahogany and toile. Compare it with the other two rooms and see how an assembly line house can be completely individual. Fabrics, Barret Textile Corp. "Tumble Twist" rug, Libertyville Textiles. Sconces, Syracuse Ornamental Co.

2 You and your neighbors may have identical rooms but furnishings make them look utterly unlike. Furniture arrangement is variable because any of three walls will accommodate a sofa. Modern den has Ficks Reed's bleached wood furniture and sectional sofa. Only "architectural" features added to room are window valance and molding which create a dado below bold-patterned wall covering. "Tumble Twist" rug.

3 The same 9'8" x 11' room switches its personality again when adherents to the country style take over, proving once more that a mass production house is no foe to versatility. Now the two windows are dressed separately with shutters and a shirred valance. Fabrics are chintz and tough cotton, and the furniture—Habitant Shops' unaffected provincial—is once again placed differently. Rug is a "Tumble Twist."

Decoration in all three Kaiser houses by Bullock's, Los Angeles



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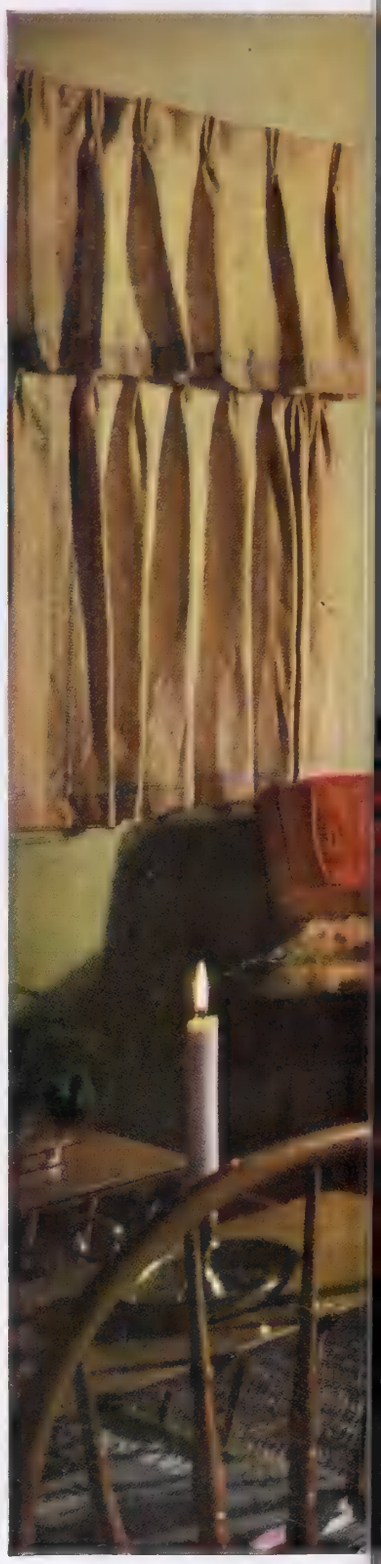
3 Ways to dine in the same room



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1 These three living rooms follow the sam floor plan (see page 109), with dinin space at end of room adjacent to kitchen. Bu variations in decoration foil such limitation as four set walls and standardized layou Dining space in the Traditional house is a unobtrusive part of the whole room. Dinin table looks like a console. Mahogany furn ture, Drexel Furniture Co. Upholstered piece Century Furniture Co. Lamps, Paul Hanso Co., Inc. Carpeting, James Lees & Sons Co



Proving that when you've seen one of these houses you have *not* seen them all, e Modern living-dining room shows slight nship to either of its identical notes. The pe of furniture itself changes the face of ings, of course. But it is the partitioning rtain between the dining and living space at creates the illusion of two separate rooms, oks like a draped wall. Furniture, Drexel rniture Co. Fabrics, Everfast Fabrics, Inc. candiflax" rug. Klearflax Linen Looms, Inc.

3 In the Provincial house the dining space amounts to a dining room in itself, with its own wallpaper and rug. Folding shutters can completely segregate it from the living end of room whenever desirable. While these three variations on one house were designed to show how unlimiting a standardized floor plan can be, they're also a loud argument for the power of personal taste anywhere. Furniture, Habitant Shops. Fabrics, Riverdale Mfg. Co. "Old Colony" rugs, Hollywood Loomcraft.

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1 Here are both sides of the living end of the living room in the three similar houses. While this small house plan is designed for simple living, it doesn't compel you to live "quaintly" if quaintness is not your dish. The Traditional living room, with its Chinese porcelains and 18th-century mahogany (left), suggests a nice degree of formality. Bookcase desk (right) faces the sofa wall. Door enters from porch

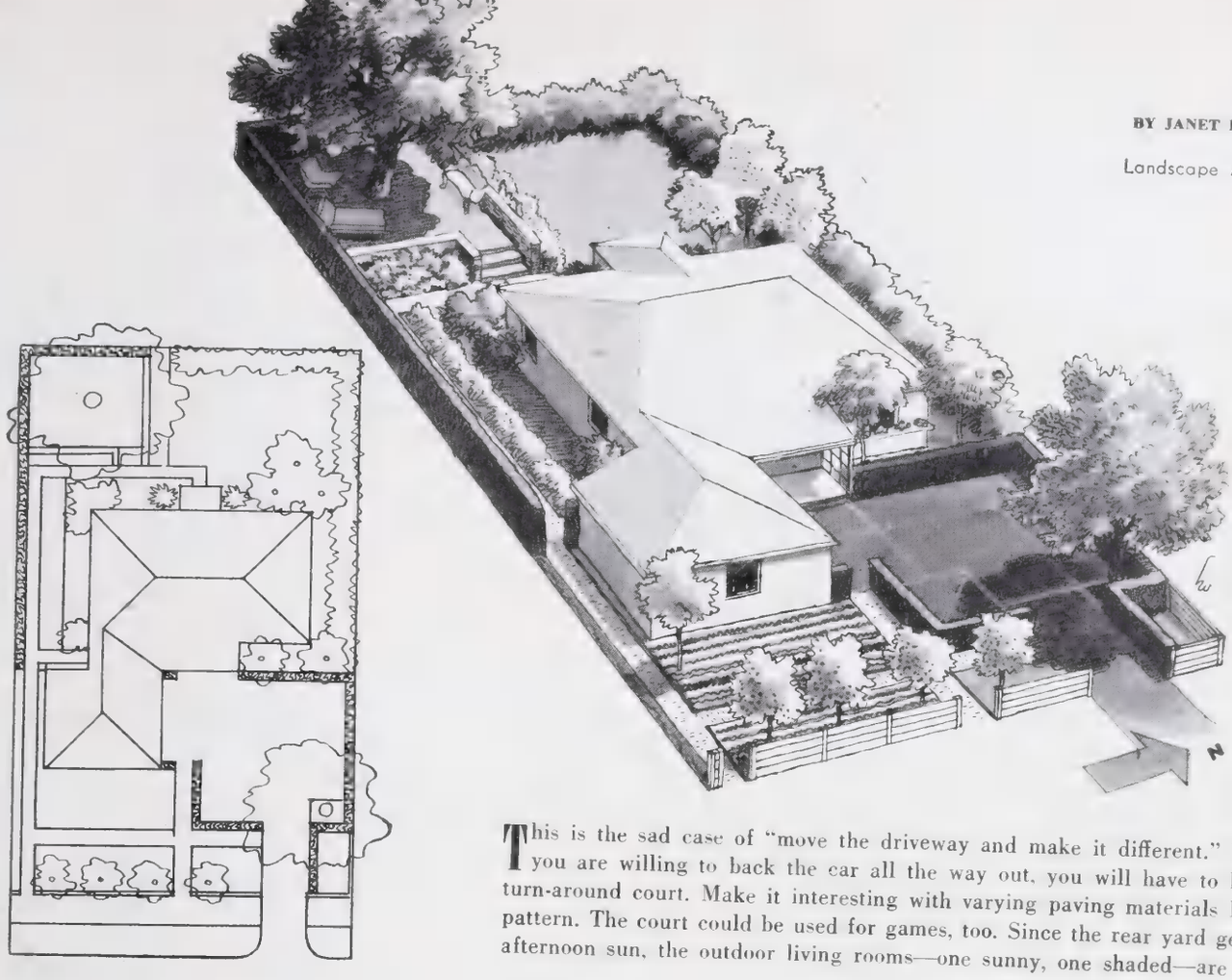


2 Exterior of Modern house is varied by a breezeway connecting house and garage, so end wall of living room along which breezeway runs, is windowless (see plan, page 109). Side wall has two windows, draped as one. Distinguishing additions: the cornice and "window ledge" created by long shelf supported by cabinet end tables. Magnavox radio-phonograph occupies same space as Traditional house bookcase

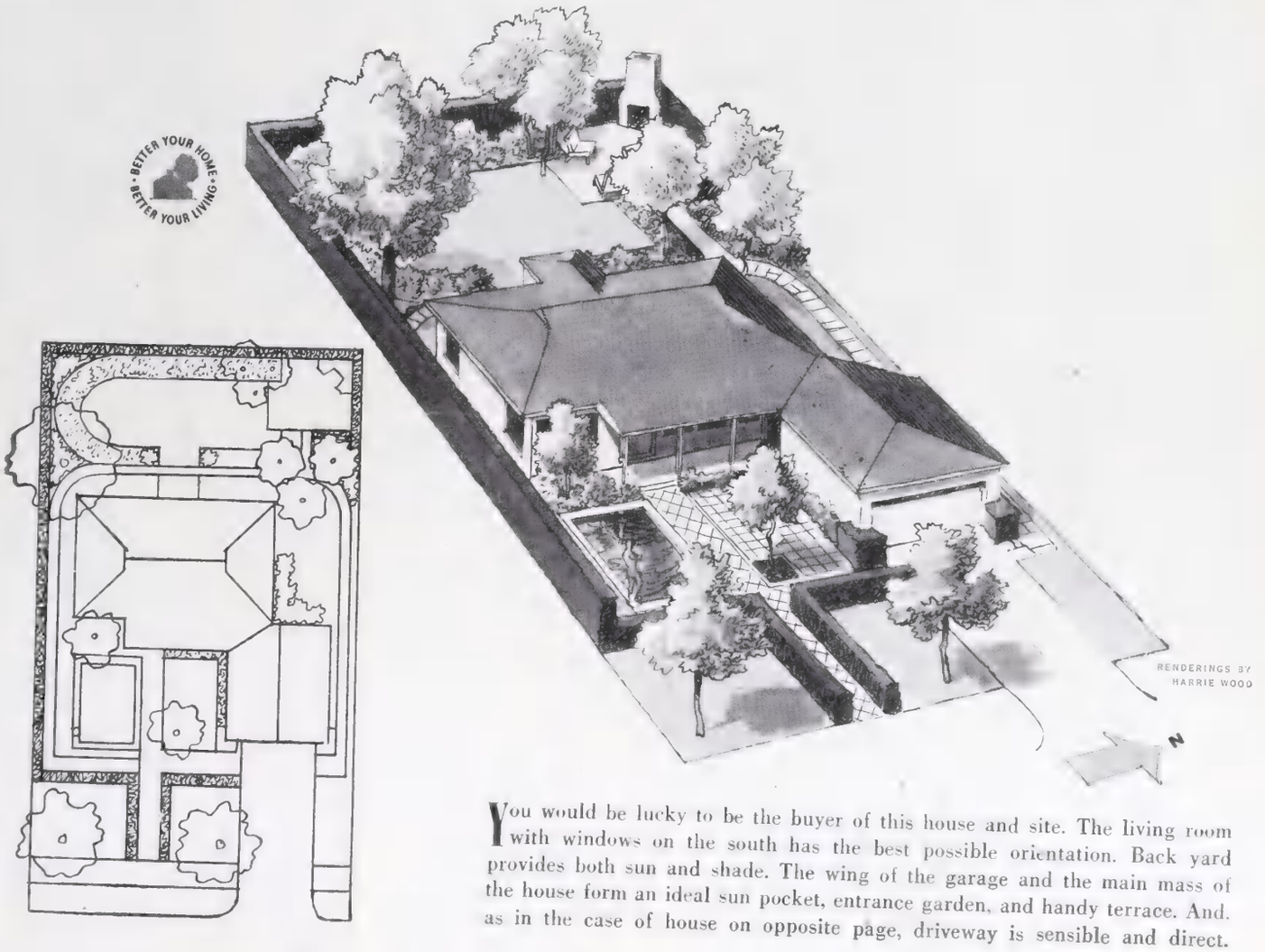


3 Provincial living room is identical in layout with the Modern living room. End wall is solid because this is where the garage adjoins the house (see plan, page 109). Two side windows are treated as one with cottage curtains that chime in with the rag rug, calico and provincial pine that give the room its informal personality. Glass over entrance door increases light in both Provincial and Modern living rooms

BY JANET DARLING
Landscape Architect



This is the sad case of "move the driveway and make it different." Unless you are willing to back the car all the way out, you will have to have a turn-around court. Make it interesting with varying paving materials laid in pattern. The court could be used for games, too. Since the rear yard gets the afternoon sun, the outdoor living rooms—one sunny, one shaded—are there.



You would be lucky to be the buyer of this house and site. The living room with windows on the south has the best possible orientation. Back yard provides both sun and shade. The wing of the garage and the main mass of the house form an ideal sun pocket, entrance garden, and handy terrace. And, as in the case of house on opposite page, driveway is sensible and direct.



MONTAGE BY BAUMAN GREENE

By Richard Willi

How to develop taste for and in music

When we were married, my aunt gave us forty dollars as a wedding present. Forty dollars was a lot of money to us, and we shopped long and carefully to make the best use of it. But finally we saw something we just *had* to have. It was a lamp, and we fell in love with it.

I can still remember that lamp; I can describe it exactly. It represented an Indian elephant. On top of the elephant rested a pagoda. This pagoda was walled in by elaborately filigreed brass. Behind the brass there were panes of red glass, through which shone an electric light bulb which cast a red glow over the living room. On top of the pagoda was a huge Chinese silk shade with much embroidery and many tufts and tassels. It was a lot of lamp for forty dollars, and we had it sent home with great happiness. We sat and admired it. One by one, as our friends came to see us, they looked at the lamp and said, "Oh, my God!" Even my aunt, never a woman for winning interior decoration prizes, said, "Couldn't you have found something better?"

As the years went by, we began to hate that lamp. We began to see how monstrously ugly this concoction was. I cannot remember now what happened to it. All I know for certain is that we no longer have it.

In the interval between adoring this Chinese torture and hating it, we did not study interior decorating. We took no formal course to teach us the difference between a good lamp and a bad one. As a matter of fact—though it is undiplomatic to admit this in HOUSE BEAUTIFUL MAGAZINE—I have today very little technical information about furniture and style. I am afraid that, my specialty being music, I could not for certain tell a Duncan Phyffe from a Queen Anne. Yet I am (*Continued on page* 226)

Why SOME PEOPLE GROW VEGETABLES

Interested in exploding the myth about vegetable gardening being a duty instead of the pleasure it really is, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL *tracked down eight prominent vegetable growers among their lettuce beds and asked them why they bother. Their reasons range from culinary to athletic, but they all whistle while they work and their enthusiasm is unanimous for this disappearing art.*



Hope Skillman
Fabric Designer

Being week-end gardeners, we can grow only the easy things that partially run themselves. My husband (*Ed. note*: Painter Paul Schary) is a great salad eater, so we grow almost anything that can be tossed in a wooden bowl. My special pet is the lowly potato, and once you taste Schary's tiny pearly ones you'll know why. My husband, however, grows the most beautiful eggplant in the world because he loves to paint as well as eat them. He claims it's the only vegetable that can go from a sitting to a skillet successfully."



Alfred Lunt
Actor

We spend the majority of our summers on our farm at Genessee Depot, Wisconsin, growing all manner of vegetables. We do it not only because we like good food, but because the doing of it means fresh air and exercise after dank winters in cities and drafty dressing rooms. We take particular pride in our corn—a smaller version of Golden Bantam—so wonderfully sweet that we store fifteen dozen ears of it each season in our home freezer. My mother, who lives on the farm all the time, ships a good part of the Lunt crop to New York at regular winter intervals in specially insulated containers. So you see, by gardening for fun and health all summer, we manage to eat better all year round."



Rex Stout
Writer

When you come right down to studying the commercial stocks, you find that few things are offered, and some of the best things aren't grown commercially. White radishes, for example. If you feel about radishes the way my wife Pola and I do, you already know. So we grow many non-commercial things—chinese cabbage, unusual green squashes to broil in butter; broccoli to pick before the flowerets are formed."



Martha Stout
Fashion Editor, "Good Housekeeping"

I grow vegetables that simply can't be bought: young, tender ones that we want to eat before commercial growers would consider them ready to harvest; and varieties that never appear in commercial channels. Even though we live in the country and are surrounded by farmers who could theoretically supply us with fresh things, they simply won't pick their vegetables young enough. So we grow our own. We dote on tiny, shining new beets and tender baby potatoes and finger-length carrots. We pick everything earlier than other people do and thereby enjoy a sweetness and succulence unknown to 'grocery store eaters.'"

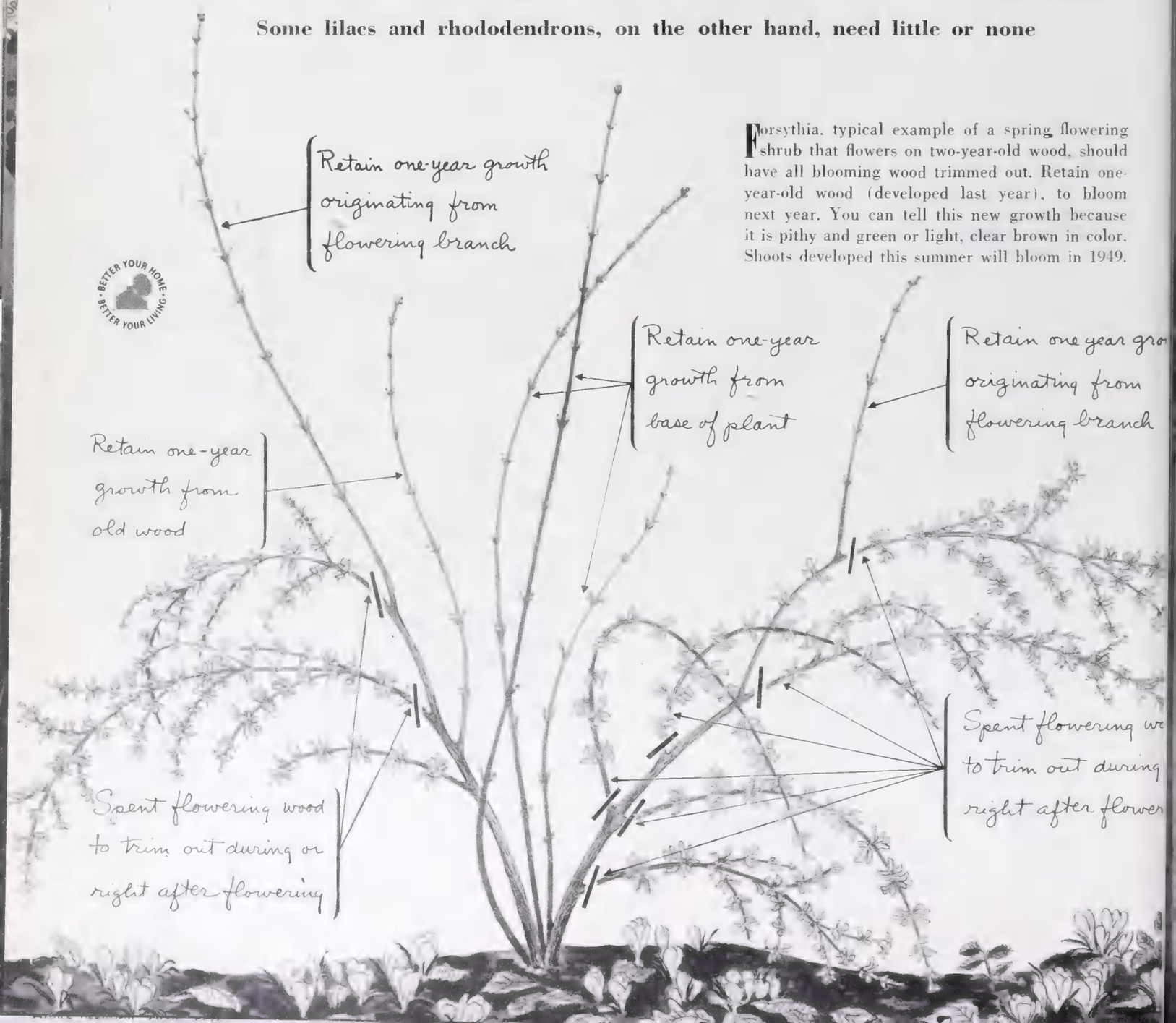


Helena Rubinstein
Cosmetician

Vegetable gardening for me is a highly personal, premeditated affair—part of our over-all plan for good living and good eating. Everything I grow has a specific purpose: beets for my Russian husband's favorite borscht; cabbage to stuff with meat and rice; rows of assorted greens, because once you have grown your own, you find you can no longer endure the market variety; salads, of course, and herbs which we use in everything from soup to dessert." (Continued on page 216)

What and how to prune in APRIL

Prune your spring-flowering shrubs right after they bloom—or even during bloom if you want to use branches in flower arrangements. One group, including forsythias and early spireas, requires heavy pruning. Some lilacs and rhododendrons, on the other hand, need little or none



Forsythia, typical example of a spring flowering shrub that flowers on two-year-old wood, should have all blooming wood trimmed out. Retain one-year-old wood (developed last year), to bloom next year. You can tell this new growth because it is pithy and green or light, clear brown in color. Shoots developed this summer will bloom in 1949.

by John A. Grant and Carol L. Grant

April, when forsythias and early spireas are abloom, is the time for you to think about pruning these and other spring and early summer-flowering shrubs and vines. But you don't prune all these shrubs in the same way. They break down into two distinct groups which require diametrically opposite pruning treatments.

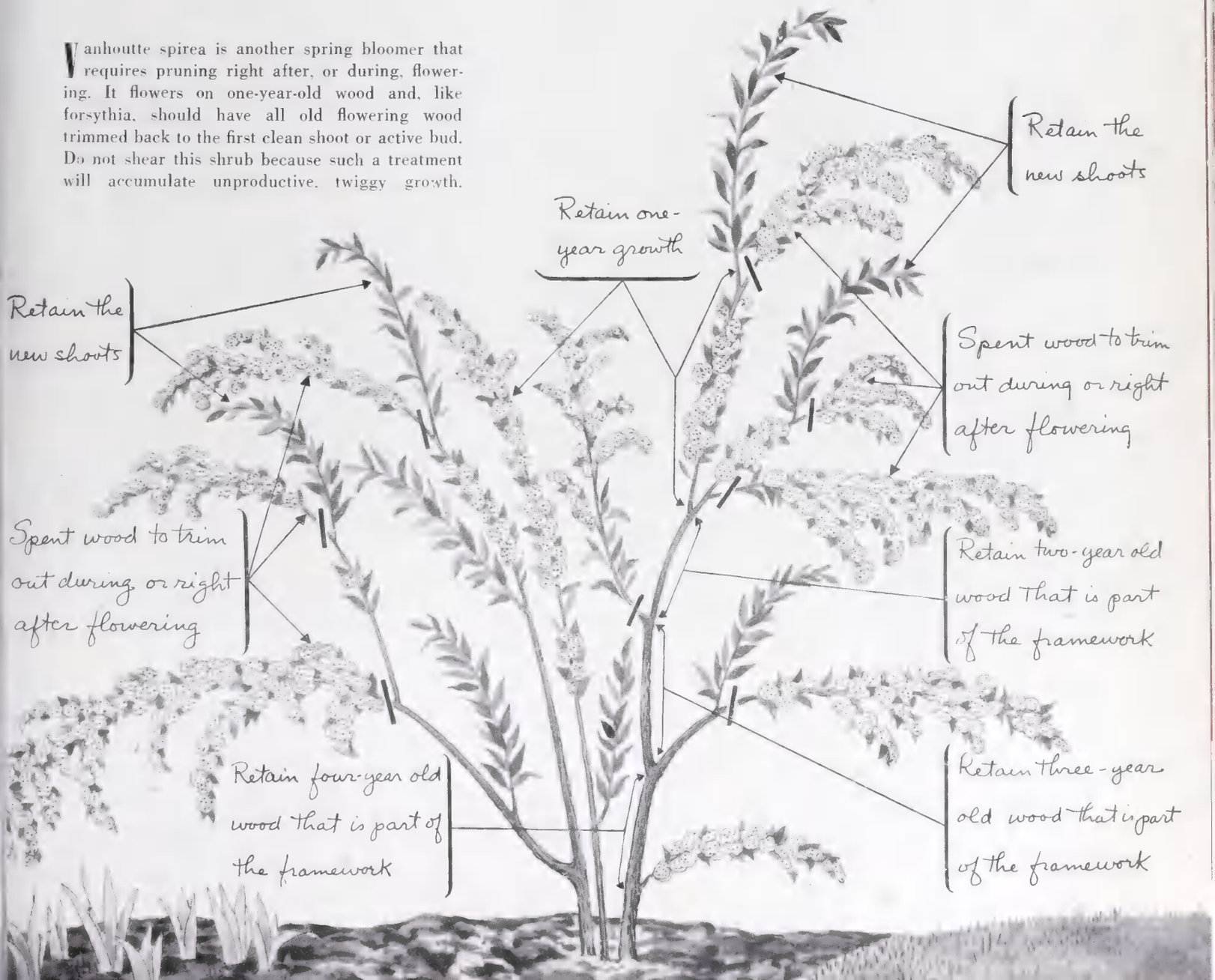
One group, which includes forsythias and spring-blooming spireas, should be pruned heavily after flowering. The other (certain broadleaf evergreens, azaleas, and lilacs) should be pruned very little, if at all. Later on in this article we list shrubs of both types, but it is easy to remember which is which if you understand their manner of growth.

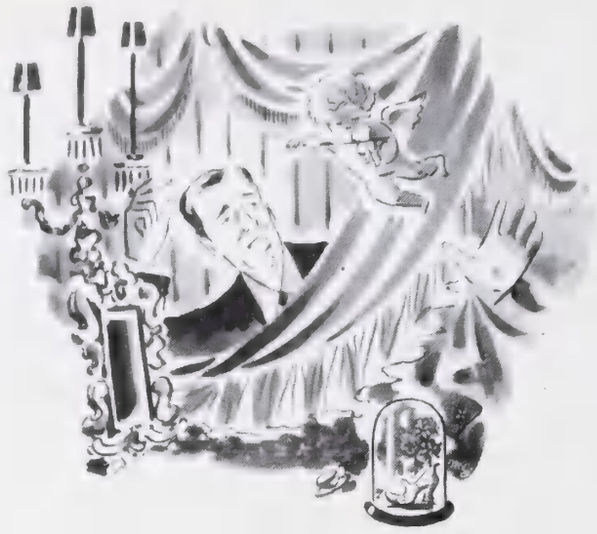
The shrubs to prune heavily flower mostly in sprays along one-year-old or two-year-old branches. This year's one-year-old branches were made last summer (in 1946); the two-year-old branches started growth two years ago (in 1945). All these plants require the same simple method of pruning—the removal of spent flowering wood immediately after or during flowering. By doing this, you will produce the maximum number of vigorous one- and two-year-old shoots, at the same time preserving the natural grace of the plant.

After it has produced one heavy crop of bloom, an old flowering branch of forsythia or spirea deteriorates rapidly in vigor and usefulness. The following year it may produce a few scattered blooms on side shoots only. By the time the branch is three years old, there will probably be no flowers at all, and it may die altogether in its fourth year. So in pruning out the old wood, you are only doing what nature would eventually do.

Neglected shrubs may have a lot of dead or very weak and spent twiggy growth. So the first time you attempt this "after-flowering pruning," you will need to remove this accumulation. (*Continued on page* 214)

Vanhoutte spirea is another spring bloomer that requires pruning right after, or during, flowering. It flowers on one-year-old wood and, like forsythia, should have all old flowering wood trimmed back to the first clean shoot or active bud. Do not shear this shrub because such a treatment will accumulate unproductive, twiggy growth.





by Agnes Rothery

THE ADAM STYLE

. . . or perhaps we should call this piece

"STYLE for ADAM"

If that overworked man in Mars could see a composite picture of all the rooms in all the houses in the United States, he would probably conclude that here was a matriarchy in which the male function was strictly confined to economic and biologic contribution. For the American home invariably looks like its mother. It is the decorative equivalent of the coat that buttons on the left and i's that are dotted with tiny circles. Its lamps, draperies, and chairs, even the pictures on its walls, subtly insinuate that this is indeed a woman's world.

This effeminization of the house is peculiar to the United States. The English manor, the Scandinavian cottage, the French chateau, the South American villa—these do not lack domestic mistresses and meticulous housekeepers. But if you step across their thresholds, you are conscious that they are inhabited by a man as well as a woman—something you would have no way of guessing in the castle of the average American male.

This national peculiarity of ours does not mean that there is an undue display of organdy and pert chintz. Nor is it that the comfort of the American man has been ignored. Even in the most girlish sitting room there is usually an easy chair large enough, sturdy enough, well upholstered enough for masculine occupancy. There is probably a handy and enormous ash tray and a good reading light. In the marital bed chamber, with its ruffled curtains and scented air, there is a bureau which the man can call his own and, if possible, a closet which he can likewise so consider. In the pink and silver bathroom there is a nice big bath towel marked *His.*

But one does not mistake a chorus of women's voices for a chorus of men's voices, no matter what song it sings. And in America the house sings a tireless soprano, for a very good reason. Because, while the American husband may earn the money, it is usually the wife who spends it. More significant, it is she who decides *how* it should be spent, choosing the style of the furniture, the patterns and colors that set its tenor. Her choices inevitably reflect what appeals to her taste, and so it is not at all surprising that an all-girl aspect results.

But, paradoxically, it is not the women who are to blame for this emasculation of the American interior. It is the men themselves. Most wives dutifully and even frantically consult their male partners about the purchase and placing of a piece of furniture or a lamp or even a slipcover. And the male partner retorts with exasperating apathy that whatever the little woman wants is all right with him. Having thus amiably divested himself of any responsibility for the atmosphere in which he is going to live, he withdraws to the (*Continued on page* 208)

A Rare Day On Spring

A shrewd housewife explodes the myth of spring cleaning

BY MARGUERITE NIXON

Whenever spring house cleaning comes round, something always makes me want to go out in the yard and sit under a tree, just staring into space for a couple of days. But once I convince myself that the deed need be done, I put my hand to the broom and never look back. Of course, my system is one that leaves me no escape, since I begin by stripping the house of draperies, curtains, rugs, and slipcovers and in general creating such disorder that I have to put it all back together again if we are going to continue to live in the place. I even dismantle the beds.

It is a bitter struggle to the death between me and the dust. I go into the closets and heave out the contents, seeking the enemy on the topmost shelf and crevice. I wash the windows and the woodwork and wax the floors and climb up on ladders and clean the light fixtures, every little slippery prism. I pursue the struggle valiantly until the time comes to bring on the liniment.

It is a barbaric custom, but as I was ripping along one day last spring, getting madder and madder by the minute, the futility of the whole business struck me. Why subject yourself to such torture, I said to myself. And carrying the idea even further, why live in a house that permits such clutter? And I was appalled at my own temerity—so appalled that I sat down to give the situation a little closer attention.

The thought was not wholly new to me; the germ had been planted long ago. I have always bent over backward about not keeping useless possessions and memorabilia. I even gave away my wedding dress. There is an orderly, mathematical side to me that must have sprung from some bookkeeping ancestor. Now I began to apply this clean-sweep concept to my whole house.

With cold appraisal I found that I was only a step removed from the green portieres and flowers-under-glass of the nineties. True enough, I had no massive gold-tinted picture frames or brass cuspidors, but I had a number of *objets d'art* that were just about as useful and decorative. My ivy in the 75-cent swan bowl was on a low par with the dusty, mounted falcon in Grandpa's den. And while I didn't have any fringe or tassels on my chairs, I had some beflowered slipcovers that in their own way were just as bad.

I had a couple of cozy corners, too, neat little arrangements, lacking only peacock feathers in a jardiniere or a few gilded cattails. Everywhere I looked it seemed to me that the spirit, if not the substance, of the dusty nineties had crept up on my 1946 house. I found myself admitting that I had never liked that pink marble-top table with the dust settled so deep in its carvings that it would take a blow torch to clean it, and that if the matter were left to my own personal taste, I would never have lamp shades, satin or otherwise.

Enthusiasm began to mount. I picked up an end table that had never been able to stand rigidly on its three spindly legs and, walking to the back door, I put it in the yard with no reluctance whatsoever.

In the back bedroom I found a chair that had once belonged to a dressing table and was now shoved from one side of the room to the other to get it out of the way. No, I certainly would not store it in the attic! Out it went into the yard. I gathered up a footstool and an armload of books, those apparently self-multiplying 25-cent pocket editions, and then I called up our favorite junk man. "Come around in about two hours," I said. (*Continued on page* 202)

by Charlotte Eaton Conway



House Cleaning Is Out of Date

Time was, and not so long ago either, when spring house cleaning was an ordeal to be expected and nobly endured. It meant dismantling the entire house, disrupting family comfort, dislocating human tempers. And it certainly meant a completely exhausted lady-of-the-house.

Today, mechanical appliances replace aching backs, lame shoulders, reddened hands, and, what's more, get things clean as never before. Companion to these mechanical aids is an ever-growing family of cleaners, waxes, and polishes, formulated in the chemist's laboratory to make dirt do the disappearing act. Together, they form an unbeatable team to help clean as you go, clean in place, without pulling, pushing, lifting, hauling, taking down, putting up again.

When it takes very little time and effort to do a job, it's human nature to do it oftener. In terms of house cleaning, that means disposing of dirt as it appears, daily and weekly, not after it has accumulated, when you may have to resort to drastic measures. Thus, with the new mechanical and chemical aids, you never have to live through a housecleaning upheaval again. Instead, you have at your disposal a whole new cleaning technique, a kind of revolution in itself.

Scrubbing and rubbing are as out of date as the dodo bird or the horse-drawn carriage. New cleaners, waxes, polishes substitute easy chemical action for sore muscles, long hours of drudgery, get better results. The house cleaning revolution we have been awaiting is here. Use it!

All-Purpose Cleaners

Before mentioning cleaners to meet individual problems, we should report that there is quite a family of cleaners described as "all-purpose" cleaners, which eliminate hard scrubbing in favor of just wiping off. They have the advantage of working well in hard water, and can be used on anything water won't hurt. They cut grease, remove imbedded dirt, dissolve surface dirt. They may come in the form of ready-to-use liquids, concentrated liquids to be diluted with water, or powders and crystals to be dissolved in water. Most are the result of chemical combinations without fats, oils, abrasive elements, or excess alkalis and many require no rinsing. These chemical all-purpose cleaners can be used to wash walls, woodwork, rugs, draperies, Venetian blinds, kitchen and bathroom fixtures, pots and pans, dishes, laundry. Some will even remove spots and stains like lipstick and iodine. Complete instructions for use are printed on attached labels or package inserts. Read them carefully if you want successful results, for each is different.

Some of the names to look for in all-purpose cleaners are Mirra Cleen, Club General Cleaner, Samae All-Purpose Cleaner, Penetone, Old English, Coldfoam, Rad.

Washing Woodwork

Scrubbing woodwork is no longer necessary. Here, again, chemistry has come to the rescue. The "all-purpose" group of cleaners just dissolve the dirt, usually require no rinsing. For woodwork with an enamel finish, there are products which wax as they clean. They contain chemical combinations of cleaning agents with the wax, the latter to give a protective coating, insurance against clinging dust, as well as for a glossy appearance. Names you will see on the cleaning counters, in addition to the all-purpose cleaners, are Mystic Zip, Tavern Paint Cleaner, Namel, Sani-Wax, Coldfoam, Windsor Cleaner, and Johnson's Cream Wax.

Cleaning Wallpapered Walls

If you know the paper is "washable," it can be sponged off with mild soap and cold water, but be careful not to use too much water, never hot water, or water-softening compounds, or harsh soaps and alkalis. Whether it is washable or not, you may be better satisfied with regular wallpaper cleaners. Some of these are of the consistency of dough, others are tiny crumbles encased in a pad container. Both cleaners "erase" the dirt easily. Among special wallpaper cleaners to look for are Climax, ABC, and Marigold. Blot-X, another product for use on wallpapers, is designed solely to remove stubborn grease spots. It is not designed for over-all cleaning.

Washing Painted Walls

The idea of washing walls no longer need be appalling. Instead of hard scrubbing, now you just wipe on the new cleaners, which chemically dissolve the dirt, often require no rinsing. Because they are so easy to use, it's a simple matter to remove finger marks and smudges as they appear, instead of after a lot of dirt has accumulated and become set.

As a general rule, walls painted with water base paints are *not* washable, and should be cleaned with wallpaper cleaner. Occasionally, one of the foam cleaners on the market, or a very dry suds you make yourself by beating up pure soap, will remove stubborn spots. If you insist on washing, sponge (do not rub), and to be safe, add 2% to 3% ordinary 40% drugstore formaldehyde to the wash water. Walls painted with oil-base paints *are* washable. Your "all-purpose" cleaners, described above, generally are best for walls. There are also a few special cleaners for walls, like one put out by du Pont. Do not use cleaners with harsh abrasives or excess alkalis, which might ruin the surface. When washing any wall surface, start at the bottom to avoid possible rivulets of dirt trickling down.

Cleaning Wood Floors

The mop-and-pail method is very much out of date. Instead, there are waxes that clean as they polish. Not only do they bring out the natural grain of the wood, but fill the pores, thus preventing foreign matter from lodging there to cause deterioration. These floor cleaner-waxes are likely to be homogenized blends of waxes and cleaning agents that spread uniformly, require only light buffing or none at all. Aside from labor saving, they have an advantage over the mop-and-pail method in that, unless used with the utmost care, water can easily spoil wood floors. Preen, Woodee, and Cello Floor Cleaner are names to look for.

When it is desirable to remove old wax which has been on the floor some time, either because it is discolored by soil or because you plan a new varnish or shellac application, use one of the wax removers such as Savogran Wax Remover and Waxoff.

Paste waxes probably are ideal from the standpoint of floor protection, because they leave a good deposit of hard carnauba wax, which makes an excellent protection. These do require a thorough rubbing in. But this is no longer such a problem, since there are several electric waxers for home use on the market, and your vacuum cleaner may even have a waxing tool, as some do. No-rub or self-polishing waxes are simple to use, of course. Containing an element which evaporates quickly, these dry rapidly, require little or no rubbing, and your floor can be in general use in half an (*Continued on page* 220)

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These labels have stood the test of time. Embossed label, right, is more than ten years old; material is zinc, fastened to stem of shrub with stout copper wire. At far right, hand-cut, pencil-inscribed zinc label has lasted outdoors for 20 years. The metal was allowed to oxidize before gardener marked it with an Evermark pencil and attached it to 10-gauge wire stake.

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Label above left is of rustless monel metal, stamped with a Roover Label Embosser, which not only letters metal but cuts it any length and punches holes in it. Machine has many extra garden uses, costs about $25. Finished label can be tacked to wooden stake. Directly above is an all-metal stick-in label, one of several types that can be inscribed with a stylus or pencil.

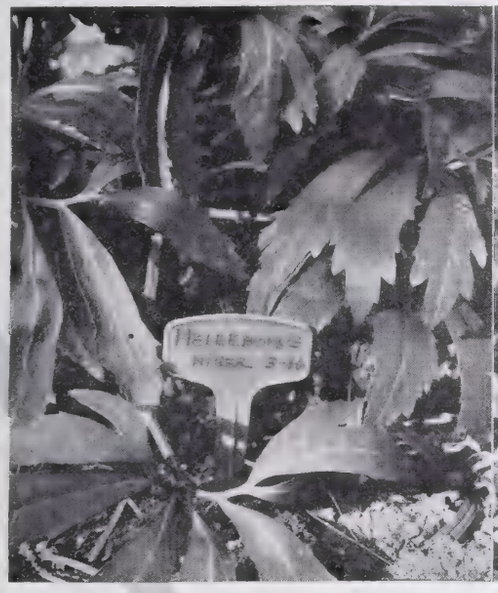
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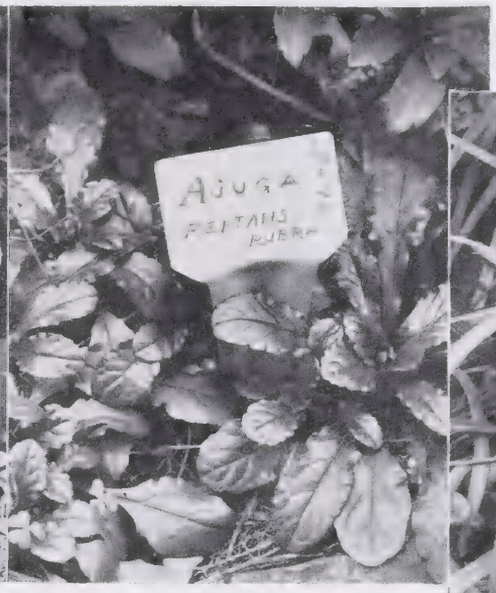
PLANT LABELS THAT LAST

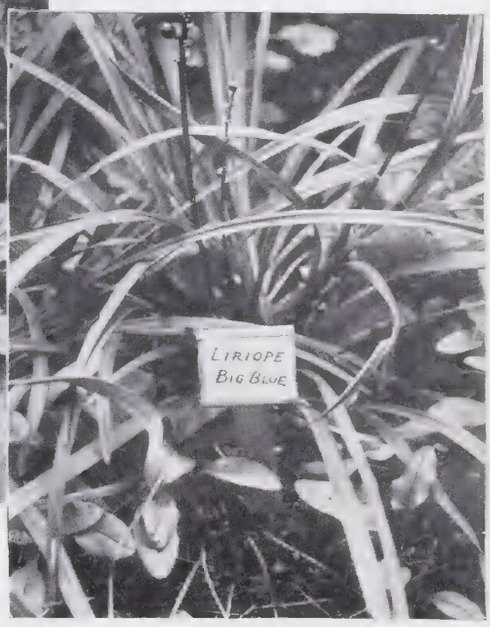
Do you really know what you're growing? Unless you keep your garden permanently tagged and labeled, you're in for some high-powered confusion if you can't remember names and varieties. How can you cultivate, or transplant, or order more of the same, if you don't know what you're growing?

Short-lived wooden labels are excellent markers for the one-season things like vegetables and annuals. But don't expect them to be legible after a hard winter. For long-lasting, year-after-year shrubs, perennials and bulbs, you need permanent labels such as we show here, which will quite literally last as long as you need them.

As examples of longevity, look at the two labels at the top of page 130. The embossed (*Continued on page* 212)







Three lasting labels of new materials. Leaf-green plastic Duramark label, left, has a pebbled surface that takes and holds pencil. Perfect garden label, center, is a neat label of soft gray-green that comes in several styles. Pencil marks last without dimming for at least two years. Perfection marker, right, has aluminum card; use stylus, then indelible ink.

by Alice L. Dustan





How long will an ordinary wooden label last? This is an important question, unless you are willing to risk a serious mix-up among your perennials. Wooden labels cannot be counted on to last over winter; they get broken, and mud spattering and wood deterioration fade lettering.



Wooden labels, though short-lived, are inexpensive and just the thing to mark plants temporarily. Use them in your cold-frame and vegetable rows and beside plants that you plan to move later in the season. Writing will last longer if you use indelible ink, readily applied with special Speedy Brushpen, left, or an indelible pencil or India ink, as on Heuchera label.

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by Florence Paine Rollins

Develop an open mind about food



An Adventuring Dinner

Iced Orange Soup
Oriental Rice
Sardine-stuffed Celery Chutney
Salted Peanuts
Albanian Salad
Hot Buttered Melba Toast
Chinese Tea
Frozen Fruit Zabaione

You may never travel to all the wonder spots of the world, or even be publicly acclaimed as a genius. Maybe there's nothing to punctuate the stillness of your life except three meals a day. Even so, your life need not be humdrum—if you have a lively interest in food. For food can be as much a creative activity as any of the so-called arts.

Now don't think a lively interest in food is to be confused with a live-to-eat attitude, which condones over-indulgence. An immoderate appetite doesn't necessarily reflect interest in and appreciation of fine foods.

Really to enjoy this business of eating, at which we spend so much of our lives, we need that childlike approach, that keen curiosity about the unknown or little-known which makes children such responsive audiences. We need to cultivate new foods, to expose ourselves to foreign foods and dishes, to explore the less obvious lanes and alleys of the food world, not just the well-traveled traditional highways, where we are familiar with all the landmarks.

We can just hear you saying, "Well, I don't like parsnips, and no one is going to try to make me."

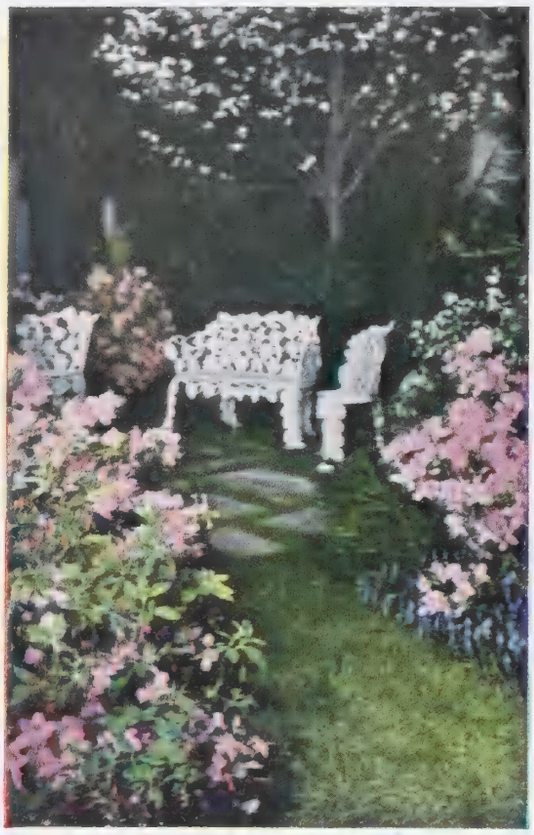
All right, all right, we can well appreciate your attitude, especially since parsnips aren't one of our favorite vegetables, either. It was pretty fortunate during the war years that everyone didn't like the same thing. And according to students of the sense of taste, there's *good* reason.

The renowned chef and food connoisseur, Brillat-Savarin, in his book, *The Physiology of Taste*, deals at length with this delicate subject—the sense of taste. Among other things, he says, "We have seen already that the sensation of taste arises principally in the papillae of the tongue. But studies of anatomy show that every tongue does (*Continued on page* 238)

● Keep an open mind about table setting, too. Forget orthodoxy occasionally with a clothless table; improvise new uses for odd accessories. On a lacquer table from James McCreery & Co., House Beautiful's Frances T. Heard sets Wedgwood's "Napoleon Ivy" bone china, underscoring its pattern with Carole Stupell's pottery leaves, used as butter dishes. Sterling is Frank M. Whiting's "Princess Ingrid." Glassware, "Imperial Twist." Candlesticks, Viking Glass Corp. Candles, Will & Baumer. Ronson lighter. Centerpiece bowl, Hoeger Potteries.



Keep Your Azaleas Color Matched



PHOTOGRAPH BY F. W. CASSEBEER

Have you ever cringed at the sight of a magenta azalea in flower against a red brick house? Or have you discovered, horrified, on your own place a rosy-lavender azalea next to an orange-red one? Then you know how color can play havoc with a garden scheme.

This is true of all flower colors, but azaleas are especially trying. Their clear, bright varieties can give dangerously raw combinations or very beautiful ones, depending on the types you choose.

Azaleas represent a substantial cash outlay, so you will want to think carefully before you buy. Don't become so absorbed with the luscious blooms of an individual azalea that you forget it is only a small part of your garden. Instead, keep your azaleas color-matched, not only to each other, but to their surroundings in general. And go a big step farther: let your careful choice of azaleas key your garden color scheme for the whole year. Then you'll never have to worry about raw combinations from overlapping periods of bloom. (*Continued on page* 254)

1. Combine blue-pink azaleas like *ledifolia* Lilacina with the sapphire-blue of grape-hyacinths. Turner Brothers' exhibit, 1946 International Flower Show in New York.

2. This blue-pink azalea planting appears in the informal garden of Mrs. Herman Nichols, Piedmont, California. Garden by Thomas Church, landscape architect.

3. Opposite end of Nichols' garden gradually swings to salmon-pinks, with pastels as peace-makers. These are Kurume azaleas, hardy only in mild climates.

by Alice L. Dustan

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5 Garden Color Schemes Keyed to Azaleas

Zone 1, The Northeast, and **Zone 4, The Middle West.** Plant a salmon torch azalea and a lilac as shrub accents to a border of cream and purple tulips, edged with the soft lavender of native *Phlox divaricata.*

Zone 3, Florida and the Gulf strip. Line a winding path beneath pines with groups of Indian azaleas and underplant with naturalized Grand Monarch and The Pearl narcissi and borders of liriope and ophiopogon.

Zone 2, The South. Give vivid crimson *Azalea hinodegiri* a background of hemlock, a canopy of white flowering dogwood and an underplanting of white Darwin tulips and pansies. Combination good also farther north.

Zone 5, The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain states. Azaleas are difficult to grow here, so it is best to plant substitutes: flowering quinces for yellow-pink effect and flowering almond for a blue-pink scheme.

Zone 6, The Northwest. The flame azaleas are handsome blooming through bronzy new foliage of evergreen huckleberry and photinia. A few of these azaleas go a long way in supplying garden color.

Zone 7, California and the Southwest. If you live in northern California, you will enjoy pastel Kurume azaleas against rhododendrons and magnolias. Azaleas are rarely grown in the Southwest.



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TWO homes out of *ONE*

Remodeling a big single house can give two families a home instead of one and split upkeep costs. Here's a two-family number made from kennel and caretaker quarters

This was an old house which the owners divided in two to create new living quarters on their grounds. As plans on the next page show, one part is for the juniors of the family and guests. The other is caretaker's quarters. So this remodeling did not create a two-family house in the usual sense. There was no intention of dividing the upkeep as well as the house by providing new quarters to rent. Yet this remodeling suggests the value of doing just that with the many rambling but still robust old houses that dot our suburbs. It also suggests that old carriage houses, gate houses, and buildings like this one on large estates could be made into very attractive homes for junior married couples of many families.

These interiors show just how attractive yet simply achieved such quarters could be. Decorator Lucile Curlee used color as her chief tool. With it she created some eye-snaring effects with modest materials—painted walls and floors, wallpaper, string rugs, painted or slipcovered old furniture, accessories. And to make these good rooms to live in as well as pretty rooms, the architects enlarged them by removing partitions and by installing a window wall.

Not only the house, but the furnishings were rejuvenated

PHOTOGRAPHS BY WILLIAM HOWLAND



The fireplace is new here, but most everything else is a
lful face lifting job. See what paint and paper did
walls and floor, good slipcovering for run-of-the-mill
irs and sofa, how string rugs make an over-all rug.

Replacing a partition with a balustrade created one big
ng-dining room. Stairs divide it in two parts with
ing foyer on lower level. Note extra seating from built-
enches next to stair, effectiveness of splatter-dash floor.

The new window wall at the dining end of the room
s an enlarging job for it, just as removing stair par-
n does. (Not to mention the light and ventilation it
s.) Light garden furniture keeps the room spacious.

Just like the dining foyer, this front end of the living
m used to be partitioned off too. Remodeling turned all
e rooms into one. Architects Leon and Lionel Levy re-
igned the house for owners, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bonoff.

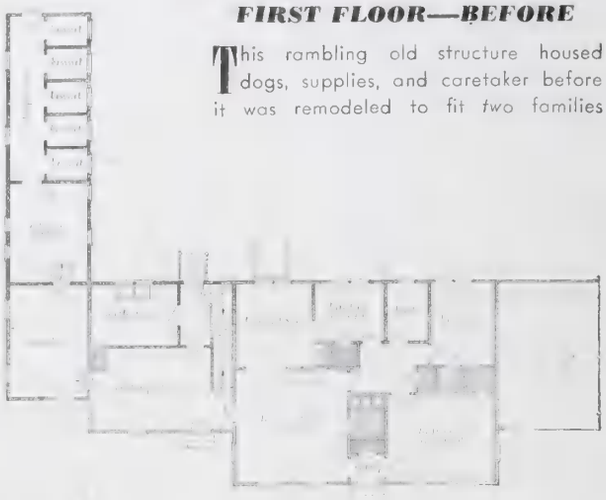
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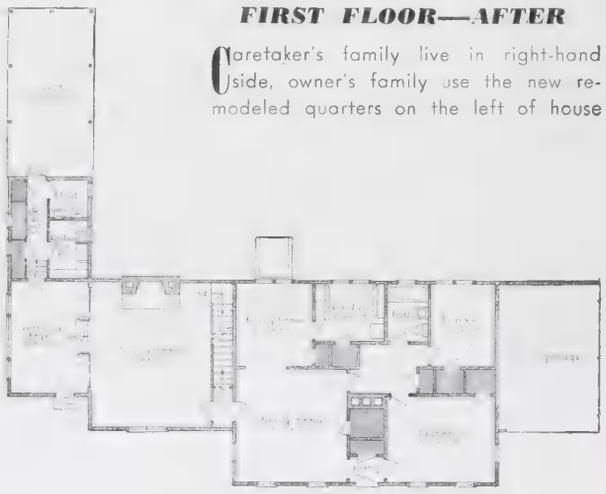
FIRST FLOOR—BEFORE

This rambling old structure housed dogs, supplies, and caretaker before it was remodeled to fit *two* families



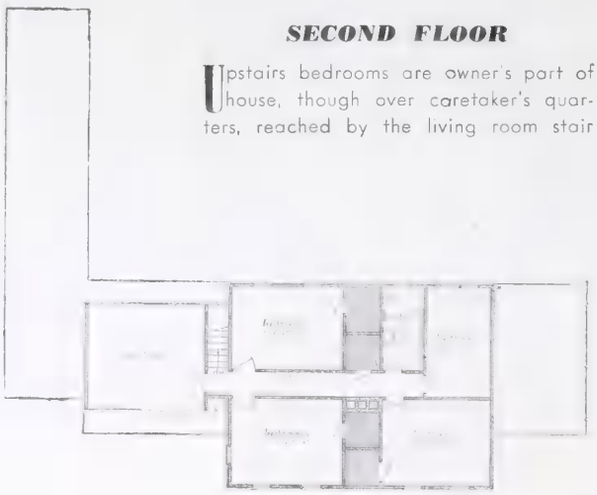
FIRST FLOOR—AFTER

Caretaker's family live in right-hand side, owner's family use the new remodeled quarters on the left of house



SECOND FLOOR

Upstairs bedrooms are owner's part of house, though over caretaker's quarters, reached by the living room stair





Ventilated closets, built-in cabinet, handil face new kitchen and bathroom. Hall run from dining foyer to porch, where kennels were



The same economical effectiveness is shown in upstairs bedrooms. Old desk gets new pain job, wallpaper, fabrics, string rug give lift



Another guest bedroom and bright as a butter cup! Always worth its space is that idea o the dressing table made from shelf and mirror

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Yes, shutters and shakes and heart-tug touches can be part of your 1947 house. But first, do as they did here. Shape the house to fit today's living, use those familiar features in a fresh way

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You can be Traditional without being Trite



Are you walking a tight rope, trying to decide whether you should build "Traditional" or "Modern"? Do you think you have to fall completely one way or the other, although you are beguiled by features of both? If so, you should know about the "Traditional" house which Architect William Concolino built for himself and his parents. For it has the beguiling charm of historic houses—low pitched roofs, trellised windows, a hospitably welcoming porch. But those roofs are not pitched over a closed-in Cape Cod box. They cover a house which spreads out in a U-shape so all but one room gets two or more exposures for light and ventilation. The windows are not the peep-holes of the "correct" Traditional cottage. They are high and wide and handsome. And while the entrance affords a proper welcome, the generous living porch and terrace at back give an even better one.

All this means that the heart-warming features and flavor of the past can be brought into tune with these times. But, first of all, they must contribute to good present-day living. Otherwise, you will get a house which may be "authentic" traditionally, but which will be trite and stale in its appearance, obsolete in the living it offers.

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Details need not be only "pretty picture" touches. Garage helps create attractive service entrance: pump is garden hose connection; the lean-to shop is an overflow guest room.



Living and eating outdoors like this can be just as able to vintage house design as to all-out Modern. terrace is connected with both the living and dining r



You might say tradition literally goes out the window when the window enlarges to this size. Actually, shelves and trim fit it to character of house well. Plan shows modern segregation of living, sleeping, service areas of the house.

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by Will Mehlhorn

CABINETS AND ALL APPLIANCES, GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY



ARCHITECT, WILLIAM CONCOLINO



...niliar French door becomes wide window area with a ...xed glass panel on each side. Divided by muntins, these ...els match room character and hold plant shelves.



A wood closet, hob, book shelves, careful detailing enliven the fireplace. As in most homes, it departs less from familiar, Traditional treatment than other features do.



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JUDGE YOUR PRESENT KITCHEN BY 1947 STANDARDS

by Charlotte Eaton Conway

Time marches faster in kitchen progress than in any other part of the house. Even a ten-year-old kitchen is out of date already in basic planning, equipment, lighting, decoration. Check yours against this one, which is a sensible, not-very-extreme example of attainable 1947 standards

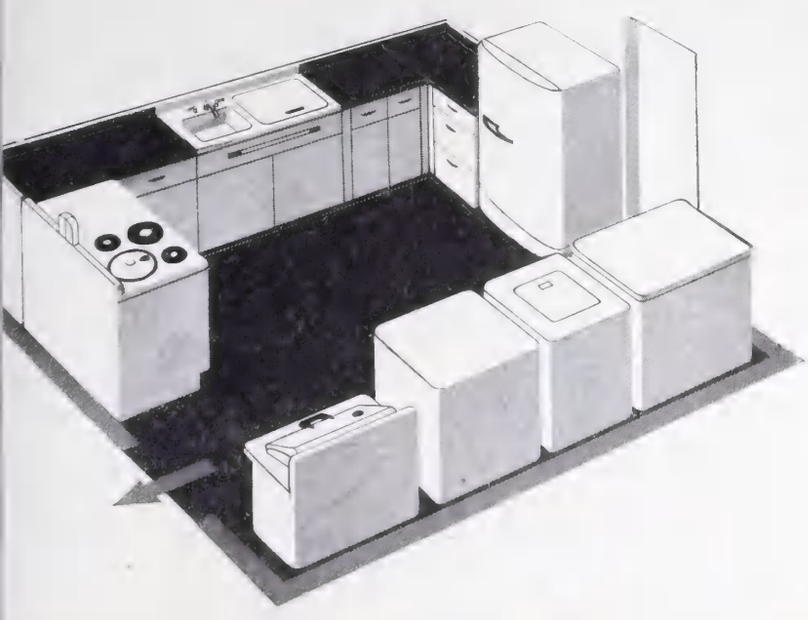
When a room only 10′x12′ turns out to be not only a complete kitchen, with range, refrigerator, electric sink, disposal, cabinets and work counters, but also a complete laundry, with electric washer, dryer, and ironer, and when there's a home freezer too, that's 1947 kitchen planning!

What may not strike the eye so forcibly is the fact that there's elbow room besides, that the kitchen is gay and cheerful with a decorative scheme it can call its own, and lighting that keeps all areas easily visible without strain, and gives good general illumination, too.

That's what an expert can do. The expert in this case was the General Electric Lighting Institute, at Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio.

They had an imaginary home and family to plan for. You have real ones. Before you can judge how well your present kitchen meets 1947 standards, you must decide how well it meets your needs, how many wanted facilities are lacking. Your conclusions will be based on the number in your family, of what ages, whether or not you have a maid, how much storage space you need, what equipment will best serve you, what activities other than meal preparation your kitchen should accommodate, how much entertaining you do.

)ecause there is planned lighting in ceiling over sink and all work surfaces,)conventional white ceiling (for light reflection) can give way to decorator iety. 8 cubic foot refrigerator takes same floor space as previous 6 cubic foot odel. Evaporator holds 4 ice cube trays or 24 pounds frozen food, or any comnation. Rustless stainless steel shelves, big meat, vegetable, fruit drawers.



CABINETS AND ALL APPLIANCES, GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY



Applied lighting in the kitchen has both decorating and functional aspects. Shadowless lighting everywhere stems from the ceiling fixture utilizing two 40-watt general line fluorescent lamps, soffits over sink and laundry centers, and work lights over counters with 20-watt general line white fluorescent lamps.

The all-steel home freezer is insulated with Fiberglas, has a special rubber gasket for positive seal to the lid, acting as a heat insulator and eliminating excessive exterior sweating. Maintains temperature from zero to minus 10°. Lighting automatic. Individual baskets simplify packing and removing food.



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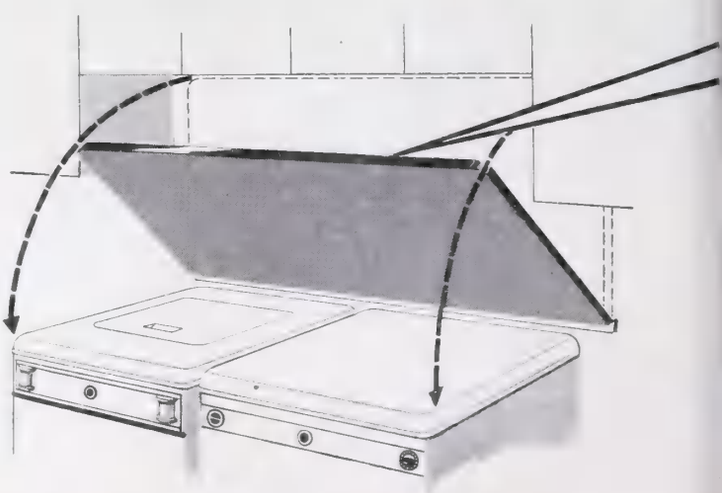
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JUDGE YOUR PRESENT KITCHEN BY 1947 STANDARDS

As at all work centers, lights under cabinets with 20-watt fluorescent lamps, known as "white 3500°," illuminate ironer. New light sources and methods permit highly decorative scheme: pale green walls, striped ceiling, coral accents, slate-blue linoleum counters, floor.





How to judge your present kitchen

☐ Have you good working light without glare, shining directly on counters, sink, range, and laundry equipment?

☐ Have you good general illumination that spreads light evenly, without shadows, brightly enough to protect your eyesight anywhere in kitchen?

☐ Have you a home freezer, to give you the best food you ever had, greater variety, more out-of-season delicacies, saving time, energy, and money, nuisance of frequent shopping?

☐ Have you an automatic laundry right in your kitchen, so you need never run up and down cellar stairs, haul heavy loads? This way, wash day becomes a mere incident, performed without effort on your part, while you are busy with meals or any one of the numerous other kitchen activities.

☐ Have you an automatic washer, so you can go out to theatre or bridge club, come home to find clothes cleaner than ever before, without taking the time and trouble of soaking, washing, rinsing, ruining hands?

☐ Have you an electric dryer, which makes you independent of the weather man, prevents lifting heavy baskets from laundry to yard and back?

☐ Have you an electric ironer, where you can sit down comfortably, do the work without strain and in a fraction of former ironing time?

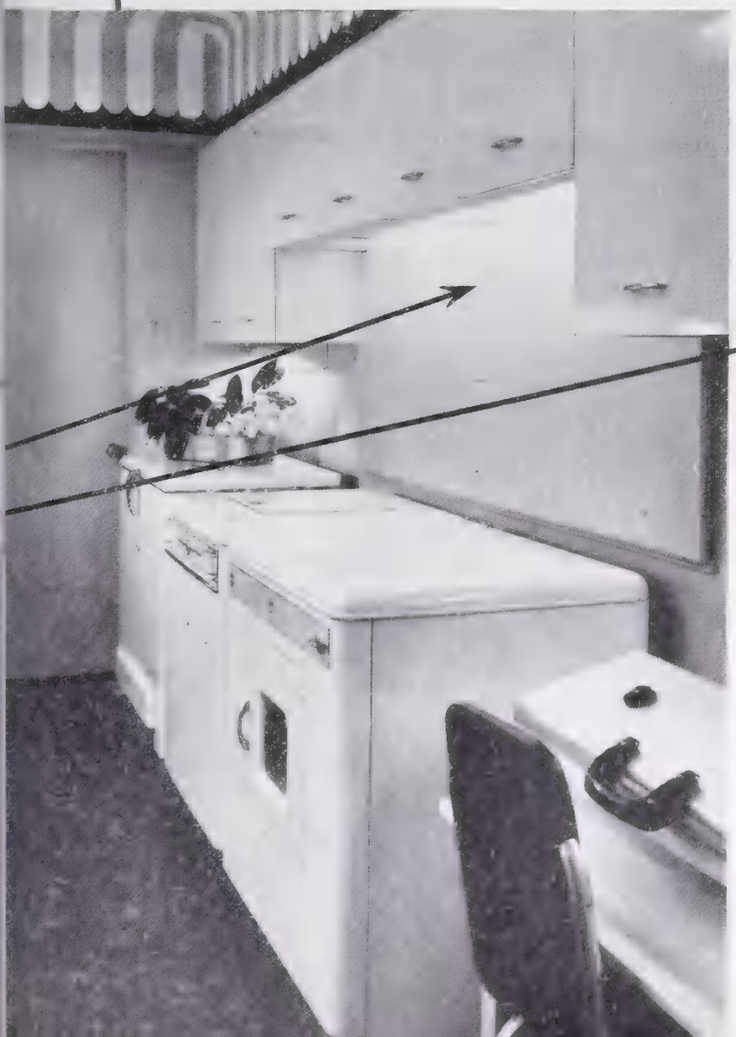
☐ Have you a refrigerator large enough to take care of your needs? Does it keep fruit and vegetables moist and fresh? Does it accommodate all the milk and beverage bottles you need? Is there room for enough frozen food, enough ice cubes?

☐ Does your range have automatic oven control, so you can set it to go on and off, even when you are not there? Do the surface units heat quickly? Do they give you varying degrees of heat? Is the oven big enough for your roasting, baking?

☐ Do you still have to carry out your garbage, or have you an electric sink with built-in garbage-grinder, which automatically shreds food waste into tiny particles and washes them down the drain in seconds without handling by you?

☐ Have you an electric dish washer to perform automatically that unpleasant and time-consuming chore?

☐ Have you ample, continuous counters to streamline your kitchen work, or must you hop from spot to spot, wasting steps, energy, precious time?





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The 64" long slimline fluorescent over automatic washer and dryer on laundry side gives light for these appliances, and for extra work surface provided by drop-down shelf over them. Hinged at the bottom, this shelf is held against the wall by catches when not in use, or it can be dropped down when you need additional work surface space, as when giving a party.



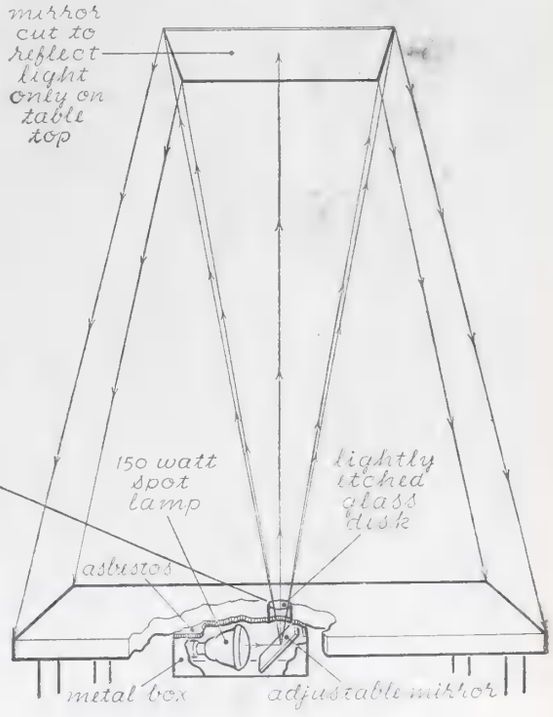
GOOD LIGHTING

plays many roles

Man is a creature of many moods. Sometimes he wants his surroundings quiet, peaceful. Sometimes gay and scintillating. Sometimes he yearns for dramatics. All these moods can be satisfied now, thanks to new light sources and lighting methods. Home lighting today, while primarily functional, has a secondary value as a medium for diversified and highly personal decorative effects

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Lighting glamorizes formal, informal dinners

To spotlight a dining table, a boxed-in lamp is fastened to the underside of the table. A hole is cut through the center of the table, or through an extra leaf. Light beams shine through this hole to the ceiling mirror, which is sized so that reflected beams will exactly fit the table. Light will be shielded from diner's eyes by circular centerpiece for flowers or other circular ornament.

by Sara Little

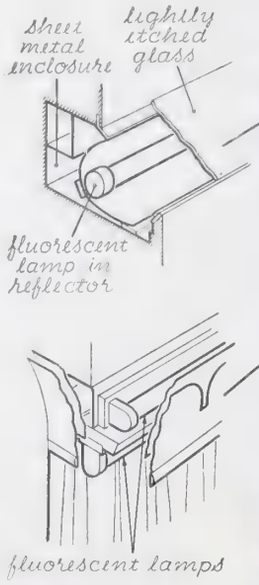
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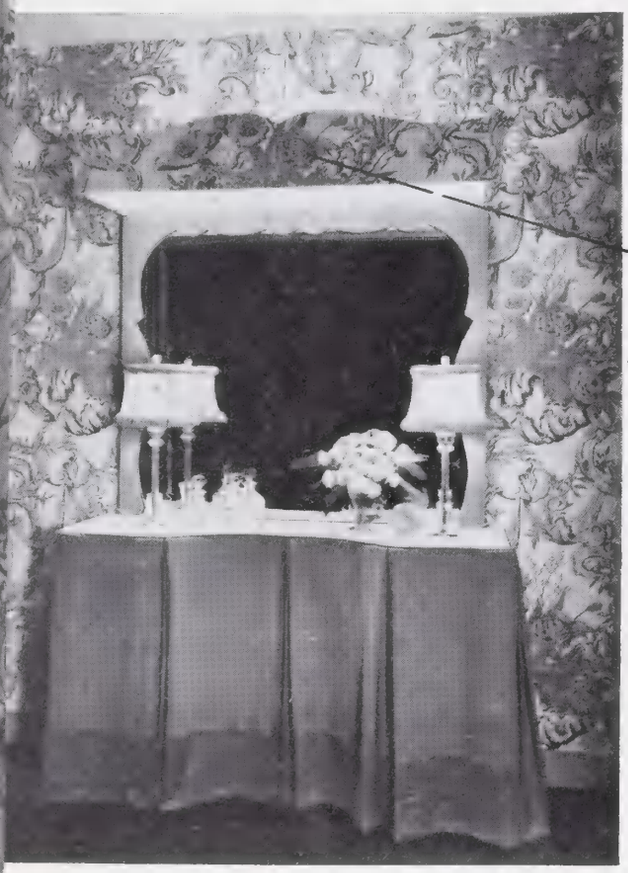
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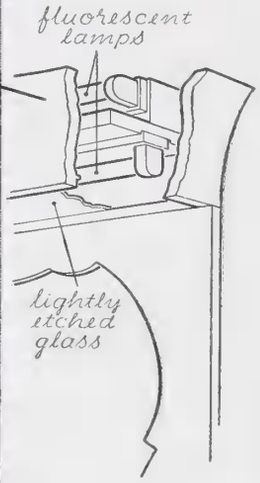
Cornice lighting will accent dark windows

Indirect lighting, directed toward the ceiling, or direct lighting to dramatize draperies, or both, stem from separately controlled fluorescent lamps behind valances. Cove lighting lights the ceiling when desired.



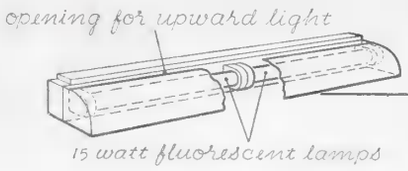






Good dressing table lighting guarantees effective make-up

Hidden by a wallpapered valance are two complete lighting systems with slimline fluorescent lamps, both turned on in photograph. Either is complete in itself. One throws light up, the other down onto mirrored table top of plain polished glass, the back frosted, silvered, and coated for protection.



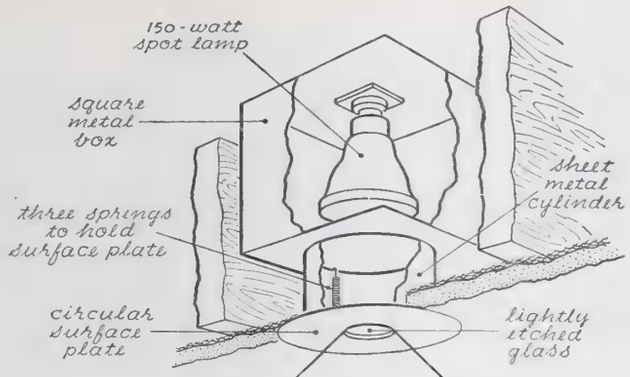
No eye strain when bed is well lighted

A fixture with fluorescent lamps throws light down for inveterate readers-in-bed, or up, or both. Like the dressing table, two lighting systems are contained within the fixture, either one complete in itself.



Spotlighting has its uses at home as well as in the theatre

If you have a particularly effective piece of furniture, or bouquet of flowers, or cocktail tray, why not spotlight it? You can do this by installing a downlight in the ceiling. Either flood-type projector or spot lamps can be used. The latter affords greater concentration of light for dramatic effect.









PHOTOGRAPHS BY FRED LERNER

Fineness, the Victorian criterion of needlework, meant as much hard-to-execute detail as could be crowded into the square inch. Tablecloths, above, of elaborate drawn work and multi-colored cross-stitching, are typical results. Besides abusing the aesthetic eye, they baffled the laundress.

Moderns prefer needlework tablecloths to have clea simple design that won't clash with tableware patter And they must look as beautiful after as before launderin like the Mosse appliquéd organdy and linen cloths abo Only such performance justifies spending time and ski

we use the same old stitches . . . but

For sheer output and virtuosity with hoop, skein, and needle, we may not be able to match our grandmothers. But it seems to us that in fifty years' time the philosophy behind needlework has come to make more sense than it did in the old days. No matter how skilled the stitching, it's not worth doing if the end product doesn't contribute genuine beauty and sane usefulness to the rooms in which it is used. Stitches themselves haven't changed, but thinking has

VICTORIAN CHAIR AND PILLOW TOP, COURTESY BROOKLYN MUSEUM





The lady who mixed raised beadwork with needlepoint on this chair seat let her skill run away with her better judgment. She certainly didn't think of the effect on the sitter. Modern misappliers of energy are those tireless crocheters who'll make anything so long as it's tricky.

The basic needlepoint stitch hasn't changed, but the chair seat above shows how the modern product has. This uncluttered Vertès pattern from the Heirloom Needlework Guild is as appropriate to its purpose as it is beautiful. Shaded colors give it a three-dimensional look. No beads!

Industry was a virtue then as now, but to modern eyes it was sinfully wasted on such monstrosities as this "encrusted" pillow top, a lumpy object to lean against. It required 20-20 vision, a steady hand, and the patience to overlay tiny stitch on tiny stitch, literally smothering the design.



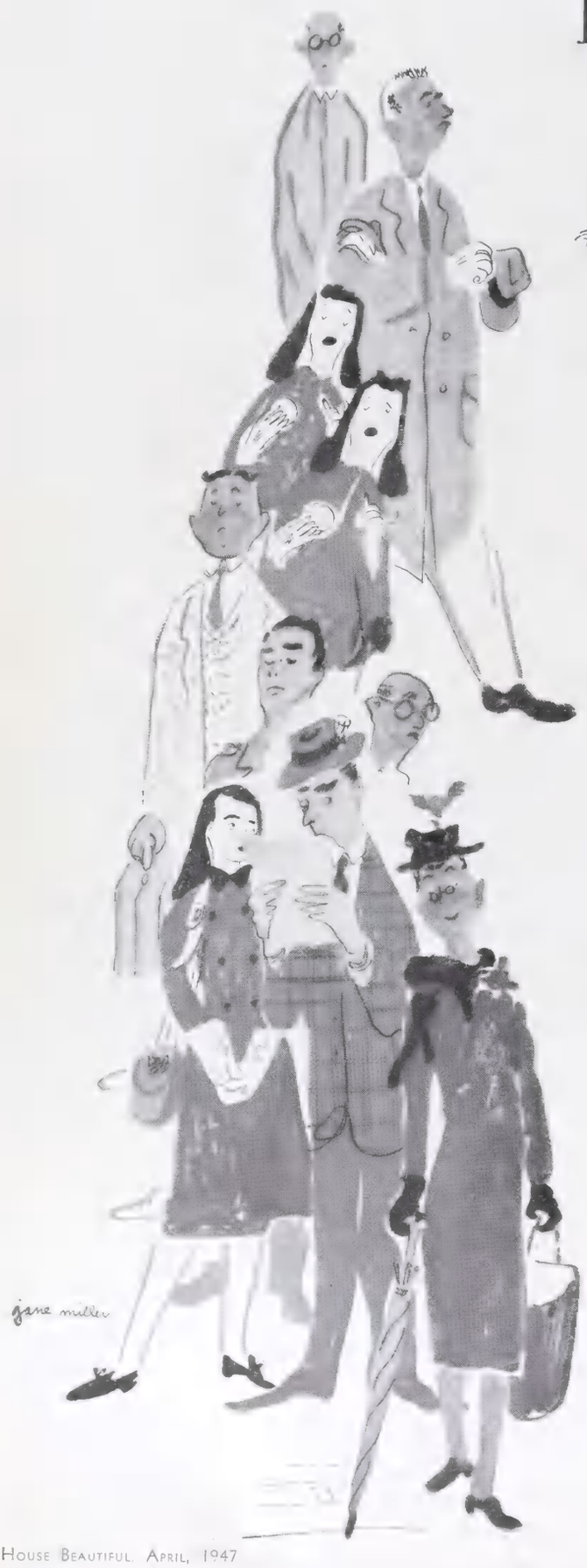


Nowadays complicated embroidery just doesn't go down, *unless* it is indispensable to the good looks and usefulness of the object. The simple stitching and appliqué of this pillow top by Eve Peri reflect unfussy modern taste. The pattern, no cut-and-dried cliché, is a custom design.

by Sara Little

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You meet such INTERESTING people





It was very simple, really. All we asked was a three-room unfurnished apartment, with plumbing, for about $75 a month. If it was sheer heaven, we might make it ninety.

It seemed like a perfectly reasonable request. After a month *en famille*, we decided to take steps. Rumors had reached us about the rigors of the situation, but we discounted most of them as coming from our alarmist friends. Mother always told me that clean living and a little diligence overcome all obstacles.

We sat down with the classified directory and jotted down the names of ten rental agents. The first three had gone out of business. We finally got *Mrs. Dibble's Deliteful Rentals* on the phone, whose "deliteful" secretary inquired coldly whether we were on the list.

"No," I said brightly. "But if you would be kind enough to . . ."

"It's closed," she said flatly, "through 1948. There were 900 before you at the last census. That's 500 more than The 400, and it's getting less exclusive daily."

The receiver went down like the "Maine," and we went to a Grade-B movie to get the buzzing out of my ears.

The next day David ran into a college chum who knew of a miracle woman who had apartments to burn. "She can even find walk-ups for homing pigeons," he reported enthusiastically. Apprehensive about accosting strange secretaries by phone, we called in person.

There was a sign on the door saying, "Out to Lunch." It was 4 P.M.

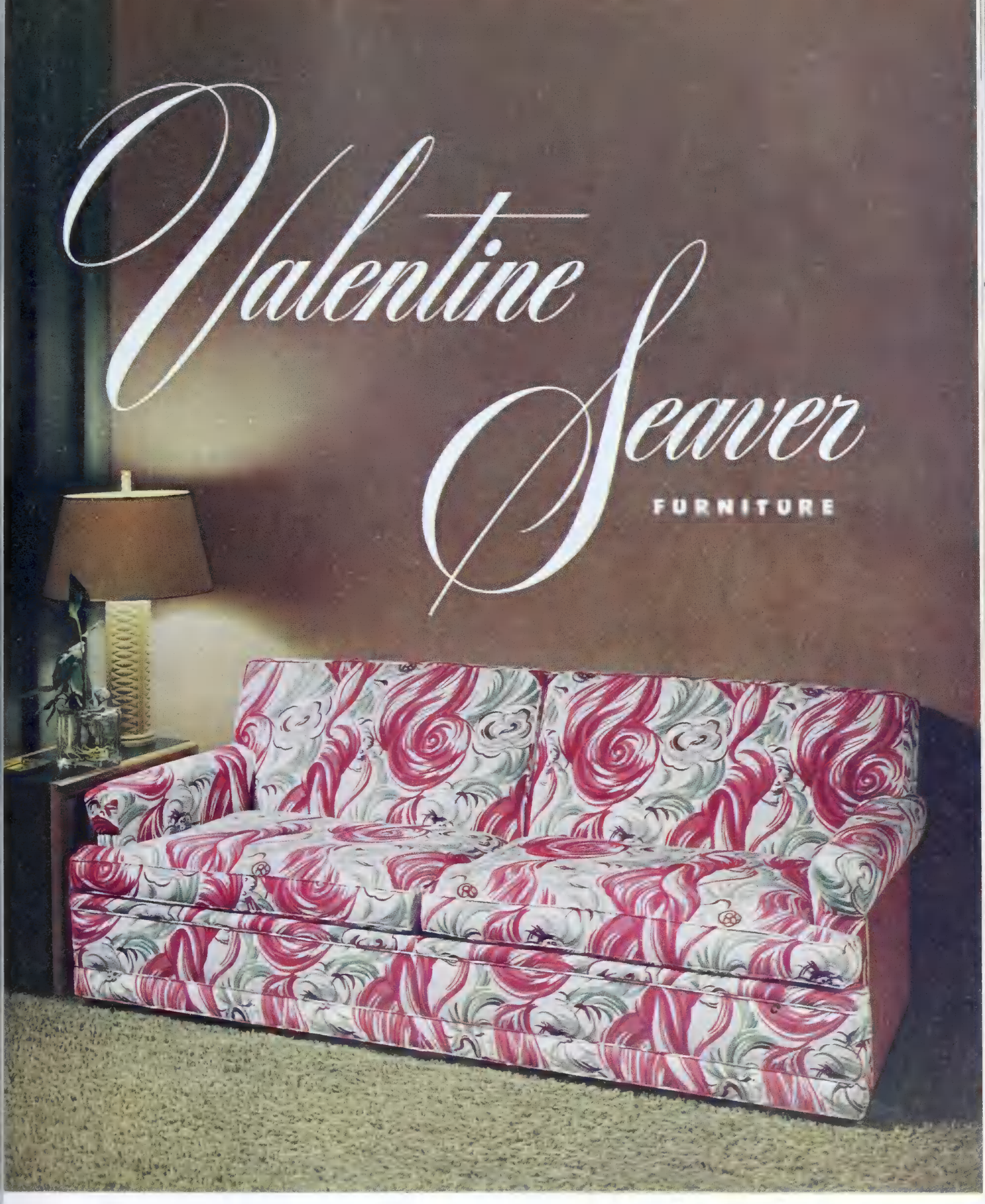
We tracked down the elevator man, a gnome-like creature with earmuffs. "When do you expect Mrs. Hillborn back?" I said, trying to keep my eyes off his ears.

"There's no telling," he said glumly. "Went off her trolley last week and they carted her off. Third one to go from that office in the last six months." His earmuffs flapped back and forth disconsolately. "Give me a good, steady job any day," he said, missing the ground floor.

We went home. David made a pitcher of martinis, which we drank in silence. "Contacts." David said suddenly. "Father always told me that if diligence fails I should try contacts."

We went through our address book (*Continued on page 224*)

by Helen Markel Herrmann



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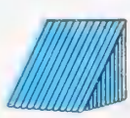
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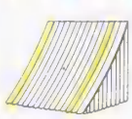
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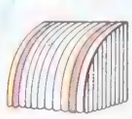
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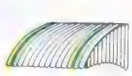
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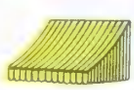
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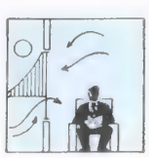
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BY NED MORRIS

ou don't know your roof needs inting, you may be the only who doesn't. Perhaps your best d will have to tell you, be-e, when it comes to freshening ne house or saving its surface. oof seems to get the short end e brush. But you can rejuve-and preserve it by re-staining repainting just as you do the of the house. Wood shingle can be done over and so can tos composition shingles, as- shingles, even slate and tile ng as well as metal.

an existing wood shingle roof is recommended by many le manufacturers. The roof be dry (be sure all leaks are red first), and dirt, peeling , etc., cleaned off. Generally coats of stain are applied, gh this depends on how good nd the existing condition is. stain already on a soiled or nered roof, a new coat will nat-y turn out darker than if you putting it on a new shingle And you have to be cautious oosing color; you will do best ck to the tone you had origi-or use a darker stain for the coat. Trying to put a lighter over an existing dark coat mean a muddy instead of a y ending.

nen stain is used it usually into the wood, leaves no gloss ine, and retains the natural texture. When paint is used a wood shingled roof, it can the outside surface against moisture. The unpainted underside and edges of the shingles may absorb moisture, however. Since it cannot work through the face of the sealed shingles, it can start decay underneath. If it does work through the shingles, it may cause peeling on the painted surface. However, wood shingle roofs can be painted successfully. A sound, moisture-resistant roof is the essential, one which has a steep enough pitch to throw off moisture. In painting, two coats of regular house wall paint are suggested—a covering undercoat and a finish coat picked for its durability.

Be equally sure beforehand that moisture doesn't collect under your asbestos composition shingle roof either. If you want to stain or paint it, Devoe and Raynolds Educational Department suggests: The first coat should be three parts boiled linseed oil to one part thinners. For a stain finish, apply two coats of shingle stain over a prime coat. For a paint finish, apply over primer a coat of non-penetrative house paint under-coat reduced in the proportion of a half gallon of spar varnish and a pint of thinner to each gallon of paint. Follow with two coats of house paint. Staining is practicable on asphalt shingle roofs, too, and it can help to bind the material together as well as preserve, it is claimed. Paints have also been developed which claim to eliminate asphalt "bleeding" through the paint or paint curling the shingles.

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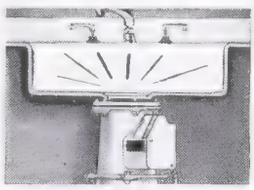
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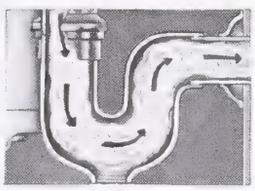
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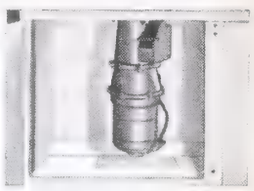
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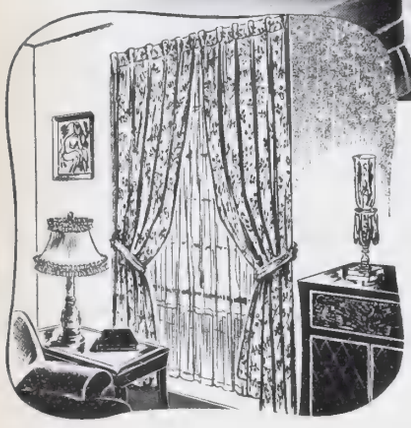
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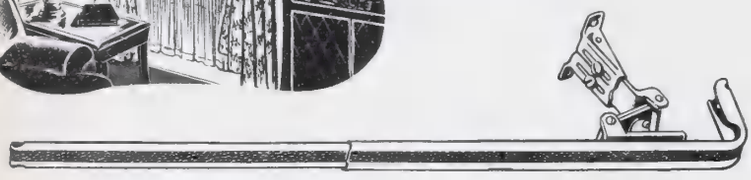
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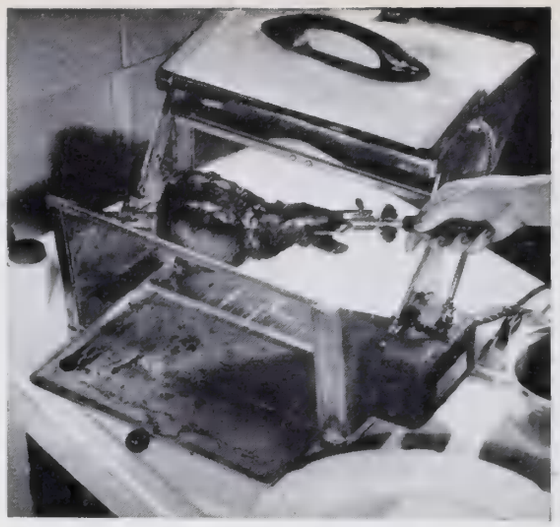
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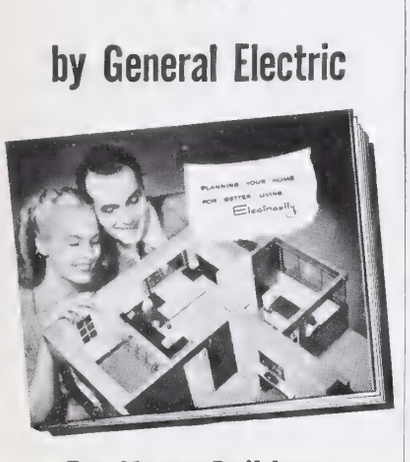
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Variety is the spice of life, even when it concerns redecorating walls. Wallpapering painted walls, or painting walls which have been previously wallpapered, can give the entire room a brand-new face.

So-called water paints can be applied over wallpaper, but you'll get a finer, sleeker end result if you remove the wallpaper before painting and start from scratch. That's not as ominous as it may sound, for removing wallpaper is not the laborious, time-consuming task it once was if you have the new wallpaper removers now obtainable. They cut down both work and time.

Two such products are "Stripsoff" and "Peel." Both are safe and easy to use, odorless and non-toxic and won't harm woodwork, painted surfaces, clothing, or hands. "Peel" comes in a concentrated powder form that dissolves instantly in hot water. "Stripsoff" is a liquid concentrate which you add to warm water. The solution, in either case, can be brushed, sponged, or sprayed on the wallpaper surface. A one-layer surface can be virtually peeled off the wall when the paper is saturated; even multi-layers come off with surprising ease and speed, for these removers penetrate through the paper and dissolve the paste. And speaking of multi-layers, a word of advice about repapering: Remember that you will get a better, smoother job, and one that will stay put, if the wall is de-papered every few years. Repapering over three or four layers of existing wallpaper may give you a bubbly, uneven, inferior result.

Now you are ready to paint—if that's the way you are going to decorate the walls. The de-papered wall must be treated exactly like a newly plastered wall. And that, above all, means *thoroughly sealing it.* This sealing, which insures against subsequent peeling, "flashing" (that means glossy and dull areas), or sinking of the paint into the pores of the wall, is accomplished by a preparation known commercially as a primer-sealer. It can be purchased in any good paint store. Get a good brand; cheap paint is poor economy. It is a pigmented oil "size," white in color.

If you wish, you can mix it with pure oil color. These are concentrated tinting colors, which you buy in tubes at your paint store. Select the color closest to the finish color you plan to use on the wall. To dissolve this oil color thoroughly in the prime-sealer it is best to stir a little of the sealer into the oil color until the paste is liquefied and then slowly stir the solution into the balance of the sealer.

You may find one coat of final-color flat paint over the tinted primer-sealer adequate for good results. But for a really fine job, three coats are recommended: first, the primer-sealer; second, the finish-color flat paint mixed with linseed oil (1 pint to each gallon of paint); and, finally, the finish-color flat paint as it comes out of the can. It's more work, true, and a little more expensive, but the results are worth the trouble and expense both in appearance and durability.

If you want to have wallpapered walls, you'll certainly take steps to prevent their becoming soiled. So you'll want to use one of the waxes or lacquers which are available to protect wallpaper surfaces against soil and stains. Among these are "Dumac," a special paste wax for wallpaper; and "Retlac" and "Mirrolac," special lacquers for coating wallpaper. Any of these protective coatings can be safely applied to waterproof wallpapers. But if the paper you select is not marked "waterproof" by the manufacturer, it is well to test the preparation on a left-over piece of the wallpaper first to make sure the color won't bleed.

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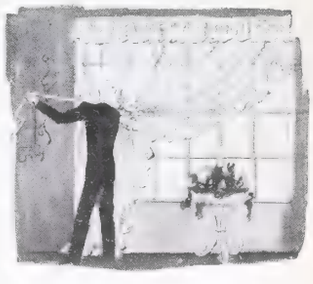
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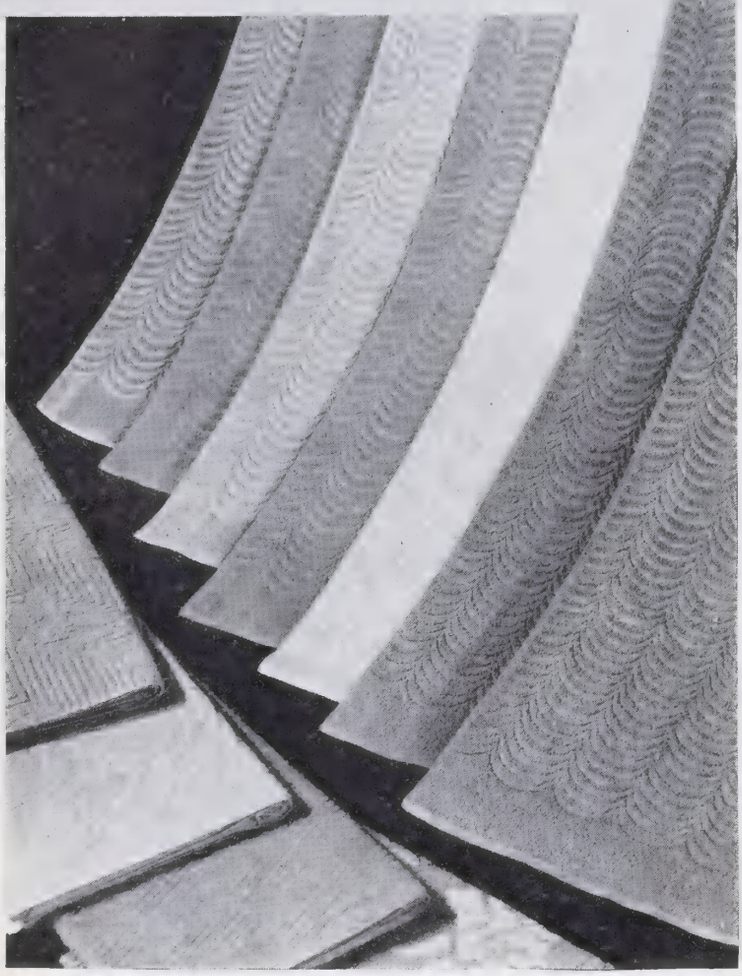
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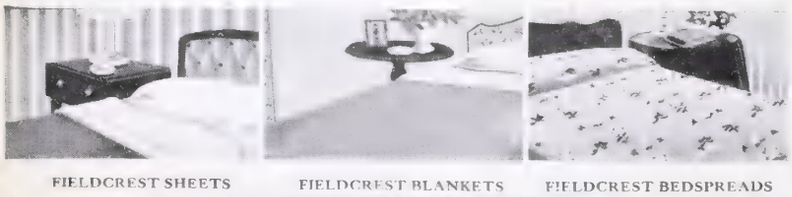




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By Julie Polshek

The ranks of canned fish are being swelled rapidly by long-missing and new epicurean varieties like those you will find described here. They are all flavorsome eating—some right out of the can, some to be whipped into delectable dishes for company as well as family fare. You will find them worthy pantry-shelf "allies" for cocktail canapes, party dishes, late-evening snacks and such. For good everyday eating, too. If you've catalogued the canned-fish family as mundane fare, you're in for many tasty surprises when you've explored their versatile and flavorsome guises.

B & M brand canned lobster is so like fresh lobster in taste and sweetness that you'd hardly know the difference. Its "wet pack" seems to preserve the natural flavor of the succulent meat to perfection. The pieces are firm and bite size. Canned lobster has many delectable uses beyond the popular favorites, lobster salad and newburg. Use it, for instance, to make bisque, for soufflé and mousse, for lobster cutlets. Or mix it with sautéed slices of mushrooms in rich cream sauce. A sliced truffle gives this dish, as well as newburg sauce, a really epicurean touch, as do a few tablespoons of sherry wine added just before serving. Use a really good wine for the purpose, however, and one that is "dry." It makes all the difference in the world. Have you ever bal fillet of sole in, or dressed it w lobster sauce made by shredd the lobster meat into a rich cre sauce, preferably fortified with beaten egg yolk or two and a ta spoon or two of Parmesan chee A 6-oz. can of the B & M Br of lobster costs about $1.25, B. Altman & Co., New York, N.

Tiny Angel Shrimp are b with us. They're aptly named, their tails actually have a w like contour. The vinegar-oil n ture in which they are "bottl gives the tasty morsels a su pickled flavor and texture wh makes them perfect for h d'oeuvre use. Dip the shrimp mayonnaise or a "hot" type of n tard sauce. Rockland Planta in South Carolina which packs shrimp provides some interes ways to fix them. On the jar la they suggest frying them in bat wrapping them in bacon, us them for a zippy fish pie that c bines the shrimp with anchov We found them delicious eat too, in newburg sauce and shrimp bisque. A 16-ounce ja about $1.85 at Vendome Inc., Madison Ave., New York, N.

Snails—or escargots, as they known in France, are as Frenc Paris itself. And they're delect fare! Anyone who has spent t in France will attest to their g ness. While snails are technic

ne of the mussel-scallop family. ıey are a sort of cousin to the sh family. They can be served as ıe fish course of a meal or as a ate-evening snack. They're about ıe size of a nut and, flavorwise, ave a chestnut-like taste. That is, s much as you can compare the ıste of one food with another. One ıing is certain; their flavor is as ɔft as a breeze. However, this an't be said for the French garlic-nd-eschalot-flavored butter used ɔ season them. But this pungent, ıperbly-right dressing makes the ıails tempting eating. The recipe ɔr the dressing is on the can. If ɔu haven't the eschalots called ɔr, use chives or baby scallions.

The escargots come to this ɔuntry shelled, canned in their vn broth. You get the separate ıells with the canned snails. When e snails are drained and dried, ɔu put them into the shells, then to a baking dish. Dress them ith the seasoned butter and place e dish in a hot oven. Leave ıtil they sizzle. Some chefs rec-ınmend sautéeing the snails in ıtter before they're put into the ells, and also pouring a few blespoonfuls of white wine into e baking dish before the snails ɔ into the oven, for extra bouquet. We think both suggestions add to the perfection of the final results. The Dutruy brand snails—or Escargots au Naturel, as the label calls them—are especially large and choice. The can holds 48 snails (they're so rich that eight to ten make an ample serving). They're under $2.75 a can, complete with 50 shells, at Maison Glass, 15 E. 47th St., New York, N. Y.

You'll get loud "raves" when you serve High Valley Farm Paté of Smoked Rainbow Trout from the Gourmets' Bazaar of Bellows, 67 East 52nd Street, New York City. A more delectable morsel never tantalized your palate. The smoked rainbow trout meat is combined with butter, eggs, and milk into a smooth, fine-textured, fluffy mixture that retains the full flavor of the trout, than which there is nothing more delectable. Its flavor is so very delicate that it shouldn't be served on salted crackers—it detracts from the paté itself. Lightly-browned, extra-thin toast pieces (Melba toast) seem to be its best companion. For a really unusual, exquisitely delicate soufflé try this paté in your favorite fish souffle recipe. A 3¾-ounce can is about $1.

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YUCCAS— for mass planting

Use them in groups—not as single accents in round beds that are relics of Victorian gardens

By STEPHEN KENT

Have you ever noticed a yucca growing gallantly in the soot and cinders beside a railroad track, or in a dry abandoned garden with crabgrass as its only companion? Then you have discovered a valuable plant—one that will thrive in the most impoverished soil and sun-baked spot in your garden.

Just because you have seen yucca plants in down-on-their-luck circumstances or have noticed them as accents in round beds on institution grounds is no reason for excluding them from a modern, well-kept garden. In fact, their striking modern character, with gray-green sword-like leaves, makes them very useful for bold effects.

Try yuccas massed on a steep bank, as pictured, or in small groups on the sun-baked side of your patio, where their interesting outlines will be shadowed against the wall. Yuccas are desert plants and they need an uncluttered setting to show off to best advantage.

Most yuccas are native to our Southwest and to Mexico, but several varieties are perfectly hardy in northern United States. Adam's needle, or *Yucca filamentosa*, is one of the hardiest and most commonly planted.

In selecting a site for yuccas keep in mind not only their dramatic sword-like leaves, but their tall spikes of cream-colored flowers that will reach a height of four to eight feet in early summer. These should have a good background, like a wall, and plant companions that will not be dwarfed by their height.

By planting several species of yucca, you can have a succession of bloom. *Yucca glauca*, *filamentosa*, *flaccida*, and *gloriosa* are the hardiest and bloom in the order given, beginning in June



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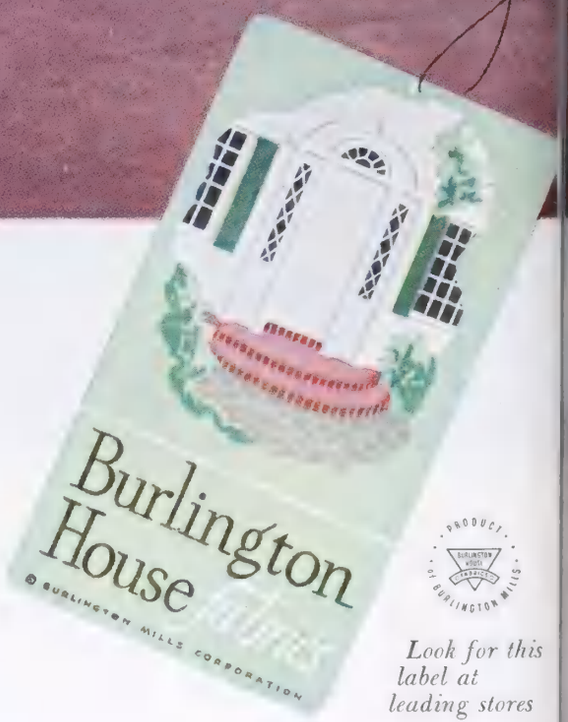
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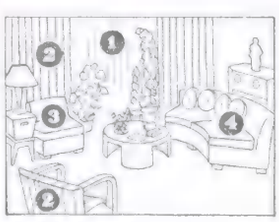
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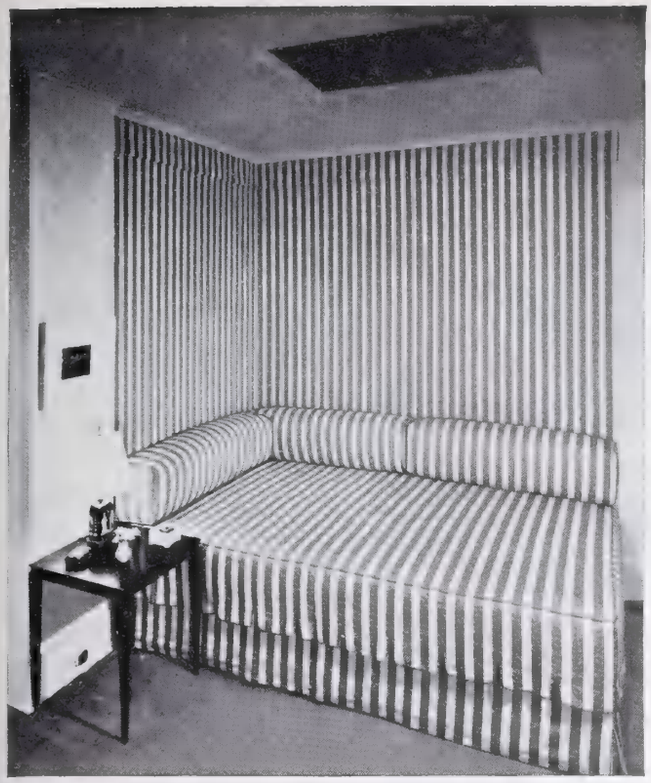


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How To Make a DAYBED Look Important

By SUSAN MATHEWS

you happen to be sitting there, taring mournfully at your hag- d old box spring and mattress, 't give up hope. All is not lost ou will only look up. Up *there*, hat handsome striped object at top of the page. That was once orlorn old daybed like yours, as nfortable as a laundry bag and t about as picturesque. In t, the only difference between m is that this fortunate number onged to Decorator Ted Sand- Most daybeds don't wander such ingenious households. So k carefully, you of the gaunt spring, because Mr. Sandler's ious sleeve is full of tricks th remembering. It's all done h stripes instead of mirrors, h style combined with low investment. A shrewd fellow, Mr. S. figured that since good mattresses are hard to come by these days, he would camouflage instead of buy. So he turned a country-cousin of a box spring into a city slicker by the simple device of using the same fabric for the walls as for the beds, and making the striped panel a focal point for his rejuvenated eyesore. Most people who get that far then make their major error: they run the bedspread stripes down the length of the bed—in the time-honored manner. Not our Mr. S. By running all *his* stripes vertically, down the wall to the dust ruffle, he made his lounge-and-sleep corner an entity unto itself, and endowed a lowly daybed with a custom-made look.

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A New Way TO DISPLAY PLATES

Two refreshing ways to make collections an integral part of decoration

PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



● Here the upper panel of a door has been removed to accommodate six colorful glass plates held by lead strips. In home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Forde, Allen Siple, architect



By MACY CARTER



● Behind a false wall, contrived to "fool the eye" with a non-existent draped window, there lies a 3 x 11-ft. closet. The real wall is now the back of the closet. Only construction was nailing cornice board to ceiling. Rest of "construction" required only the hanging of the draperies and blind

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n temporary quarters, it is al- ways a brain-racking problem) figure out where that much- eeded, extra closet can go. Also, must look well, be inexpensive, nd not disturb the contours of ie room into which it is to be uilt.

Our dining room was the logical ot, for it had no window, due to n attached garage on that side of ie house. So the "closet" was cated here, where one would ex- ect to find a window. Venetian lind, drapery material, and an npainted bookcase, usable items from a former inventory, were the ingredients which created the illusion of a window wall. The cornice board was cut at a local lumber yard, and it, along with a 2x4 11 feet long, cost $1.98. From this 2x4, which supports the cornice, were hung the draperies and the blind.

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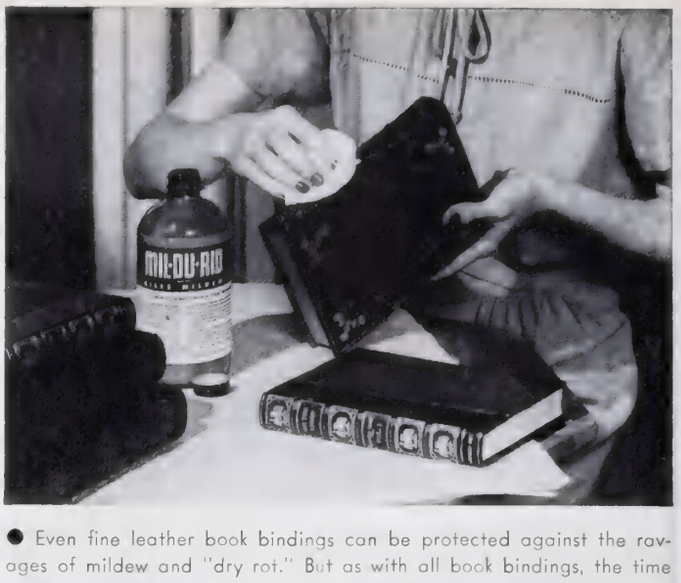
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BY JULIE POLSHEK

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Cleaning books, as well as book shelves, should be a regular part of your housekeeping routine. Dust books frequently and carefully with clean cheese cloth or flannel, handling them as little as possible. Light dust can be cleaned from shelves with the nozzle suction attachment of a vacuum cleaner. But if they are coated with a greasy dust film, they should be washed with a rag wrung out of soapy water, then rinsed with a rag wrung out of clear water, and finally dried thoroughly with a clean, dry cloth. Be sure shelves are bone dry before replacing books.

WHEN possible, store books in cool, fairly dry air, for dampness invites mildew, green mold, and even mice-gnawing. An electric lamp, portable heater, or electric fan in damp corners will help dry out the air. Ideal storage conditions aren't always possible, but you can effectively circumvent the problem by mildew-proofing the bindings. Book mildew is much more common than is usually supposed; its presence is manifested by a general musty odor in the books (this almost always indicates the presence of mildew), by discolored or faded spots on bindings, by weakening of bindings and pages—sometimes called "dry rot." Mildew is exceedingly difficult to remove once it gets started. The only answer is to stop it before it starts, or to use immediate treatment against it when you note its first appearance. A commercial product known as "Mil-Du-Rid" will effectively prevent and combat book mildew. It's usable on all manner of bindings—cloth, velvet, leather. Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully. But it can't be used on the pages themselves.

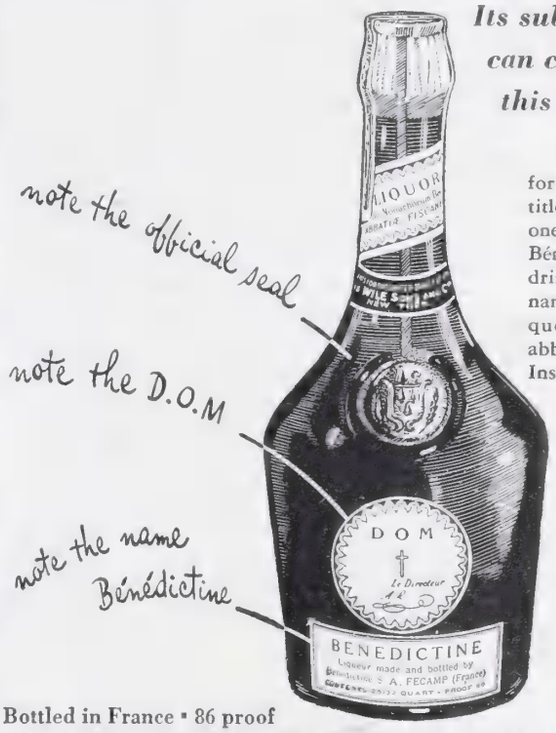
If mildew has already attacked the leaves, you *might* get rid of it by the following treatment: Brush each spot off, page by page, with an absolutely clean, dry cloth or cleaning tissue. As soon as it shows sign of soil, use a clean piece. Open the book up so air can get to the pages and dry the book out as quickly as possible in mild heat or outdoor sunshine. If spots are bad, try sprinkling French chalk on the page. Close the book and allow the chalk to remain in it for several days. When the chalk is brushed out, you may find that it has destroyed the mildew.

Alcohol is sometimes helpful in removing mildew stains. Sunlight,

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How to Make a Little Piece of Furniture Occupy a Big Wall

A little piece of furniture set against a big long wall loses its importance, its decorative value, no matter how beautiful its design or finish. It's like a little lost sheep in a great big meadow.

But often there are times when you must put the little and the big together. Perhaps you have moved from a different house where the very smallness of a cabinet or a commode was its chief attraction. It just fitted the space allotted to it. Or perhaps you are getting ready to move on to the house you have long dreamed of building, and now have been able to start. And in your favorite shop you found just the piece you will need for that hallway or living room or dining room when the house is finished. Meanwhile, it has to be used where you are, and it would be a pity to have it standing there against a great, long wall space, lonesome and lost.

One way to solve the problem, as the photograph shows, is to "frame" the furniture in a group of pictures, uniformly matted and framed. Here the cabinet is only 36 inches wide, but it looks far larger and more important because of the pictures. Since the wood of the cabinet is bleached mahogany the pictures have similar light colored moldings, contrasted against dark mats. And they are hung in perfect symmetry.

If you don't care for pictures you might consider colorful maps or a collection of rare old bills of lading, or documentary letters.

Part of the secret of the success of the arrangement will lie in your selection of mats and frames which should have some relation not only to the pictures or maps or documents, but also to the piece of furniture they surround. Note how the simple, bamboo-like molding shown seem to feel completely at home with the equally simple lines of the cabinet. Where a more elaborate piece is concerned, carved moldings might be more suitable. Mats can be made wider or narrower, according to taste and problem



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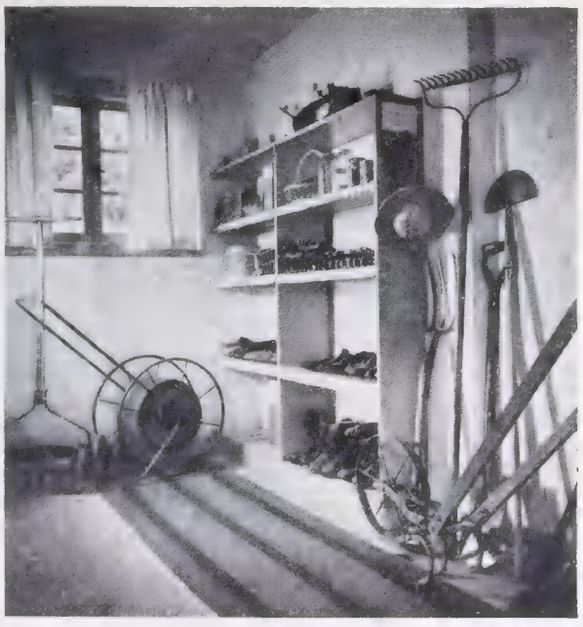
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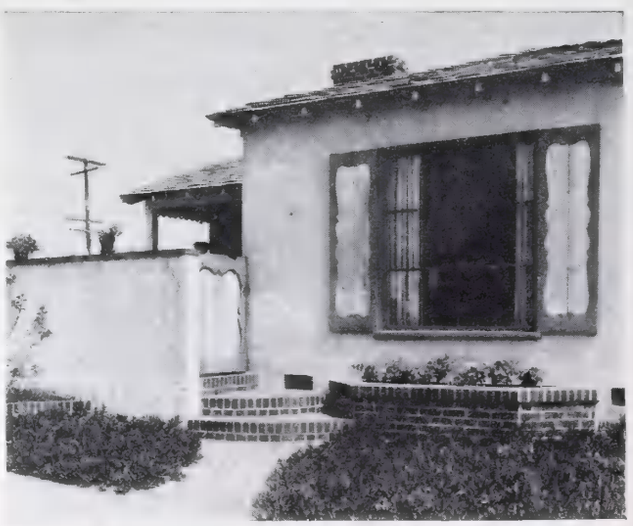
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Are Your Shutters In Character With Your House?

BY NED MORRIS



● Here, both shutters and gate are designed with a scalloped panel which helps to enliven the predominating straight lines of the house. Outlining the panel with a dark, contrasting color gives a fillip to the whole house, too. These shutters do not cover whole window when closed, but could be made double like folding doors



● Shutters seem to widen this modest window and fit it better to the shed dormer. The window box helps to lower as well as widen it, and takes away any "high-waisted look" the window might have. This treatment is typical of how shutters and other small touches can improve the architectural proportions of many houses

'ell handled, shutters can do for the outside of your house what :essories do for the inside of it. ey can add a zip, a grace note of or or design that enlivens it nensely. They can also give it ashman touch.

Window-wise owners know that od shutter design means some- ng more than a splashing with :ous paint or cutting out cres- t moon shapes or sail boats, es, etc. These are trite, hack- ed treatments. Since such small ches can set the tone and qual- of your whole house more quick- than you can say architectural ail, they need perceptive han- ng—handling which is suit- e to the character of the house.

On the facing page are two houses which could be in the South or Southwest. They have the solid shutters desirable in warm climates where you want to keep the interior cool and dark in the heat of the day. On this page are louvered and latticed shutters whose functional intent is to let air in while preserving privacy. However, like other windows today, venetian blinds inside perform the function for which shutters were intended. So shutters become chiefly a decorative feature, amplified by flower boxes, shelves, etc. But they are no less useful architecturally. They can widen apparent width of windows or dress up a stark-looking façade.

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● Without these shutters, this window might look like a gaping hole in the face of the dormer. They fill out the dormer to its full width, giving a much more pleasing effect. Double hung windows like this can have a plant shelf right along the sill line, but casement windows would have to have shelf considerably lower

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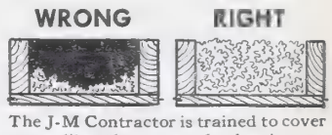
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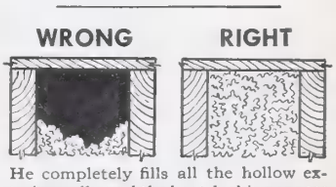
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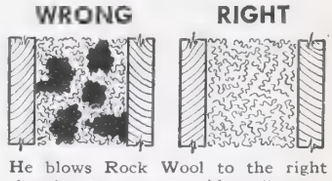
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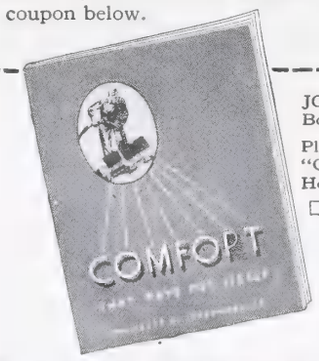
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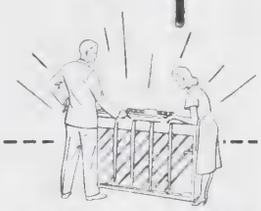
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● To emphasize the focal point in a room, such as fireplace wall, try a stencil or free-hand motif applied like a border



How NOT to poke holes in your Sewing Bag

arp-pointed scissors are a men- e inside the sewing bag as as out of it. If Junior has e off with the original case in ch the scissors came, you can stitute a cork to good effect. k the points into the cork and n all your fears. It's the same idea as a guard on the end of a fencer's foil. And if you happen to find a cork the right size, you can park your thimble on the end of it. In this way you will keep two important sewing tools always together and there'll be no more hunting before you can start work.



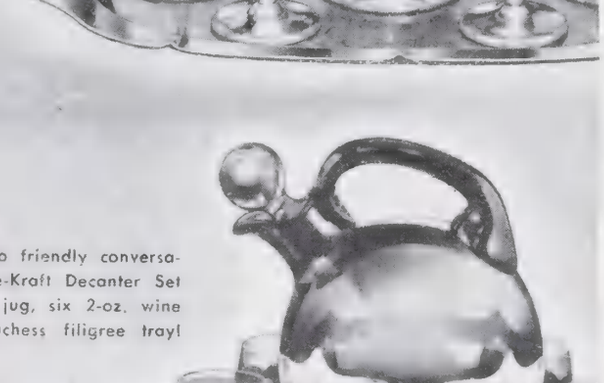


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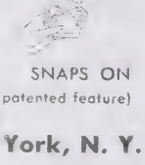
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CAN YOU READ A GARDEN ?

BY ROSAMOND PRATT

The book, the magazine article, the newspaper column which is entitled "How to Do Thus and So" is sure of readers. We never tire of scanning the printed words on "How to be Popular," "How to be Well Dressed," "How to Diet," "How to Read a Book." The more explicit the advice the more eagerly we swallow it.

I confess to being fascinated by these instructions. I usually believe them, although I do not always follow them. It is easier to read "How to Reduce Your Hips" than to reduce them, but the mere process of reading seems, in some oblique way, to be salutary.

However, during those months when my garden is blooming, I find my reading set forth in another medium. It is written in unfurling green leaves and tender stalks; in swaying tints and tones; in colors vivid or soft; in fragrance permeating or elusive.

In early spring, when the bleeding heart lifts its curving branches from which are suspended those symbolically shaped racemes which give it its name, I wish it would hold them so throughout the long summer. "Must you go so soon? Can't you stay longer?" I beg. But the bleeding heart has not had to read Emily Post's warning. "When the time comes to leave, do not dally and keep your hostess waiting. Go promptly and don't leave anything behind you." Before Emily Post was born, bleeding heart knew that dila leave-taking is wearisome, and an unprotracted farewell enha the call that has preceded it.

When the plum tree blossor long for it to hold its beaut static perpetuity. But the pl whiteness deepens into green, then shakes out its pink encl ment. Nature learned to selec ornaments with discrimination before Elizabeth Hawes couns ladies not to wear bracelets, rings, brooches, and necklace the same time—not to do flowered blouse, flowered hat, carry a multi-colored bag wi checked suit.

The petunia knows how to phasize its pretty face so effect that we forget its plebian fol

The pachysandra can be forg for not flowering often whe produces such nice pattern wit leaves.

The mignonette makes up its insignificant flowerettes by refreshment of its scent.

When a garden is flourisl we do not need to read fas advisers on good taste in dress how to make the best of our points.

"Don't grab more than should or you may find you cheap," says wise Dorothy The balsam and the barconia w spread all over the place unt desperation we throw them ou

gether are distressing examples greedy appropriation. The honey-ckle which, despite its swooning veetness, degenerates into a pest xemplifies cheap behavior.

"You can be beautiful at seven-," Elizabeth Arden assures hope-l ladies of advancing years. hrysanthemums which wait until tumn to reveal their mature auty proclaim this truth. Like l flowers they know their season highest fulfillment. Then and en only do they make their ap-arance clad appropriately, not the fragile texture of spring owdrops but in the handsome bric suitable to the calendar.

Those who have no flower garden ay have to learn these lessons om the printed page. As for me. soon as the first crocus holds



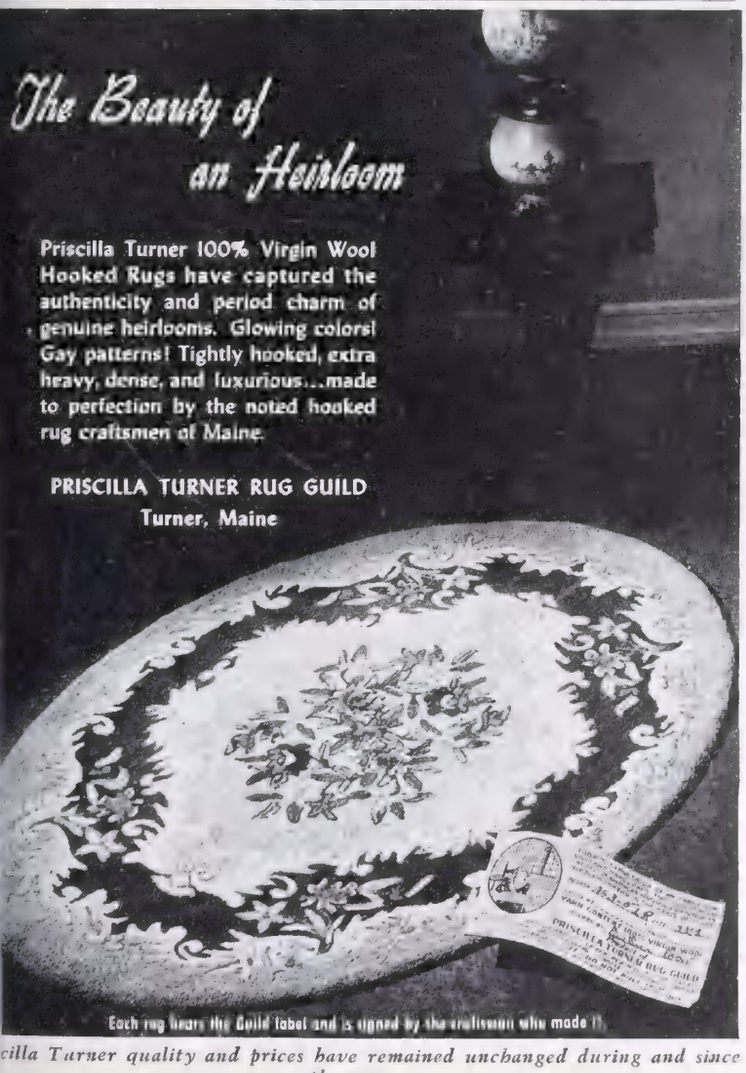
to the sun its tiny testament, I t aside the newspapers and magazines and books which begin, "How to Thus and So."

There are few exigencies, trivial or profound in life, which cannot find some answer, or if not an answer, some consolation in the pageant of the garden.



The superficial arts which enhance appearance, the good taste which points up the amenities, the deeper virtues which control conduct and nourish aspiration find guide posts of unerring accuracy all along the road of the changing seasons.

How to think about birth, fulfillment, mortality, and immortality is set forth here. They who tend their gardens on their knees, as proper gardeners must, learn their lessons not by rote but by heart, which is the best way after all.



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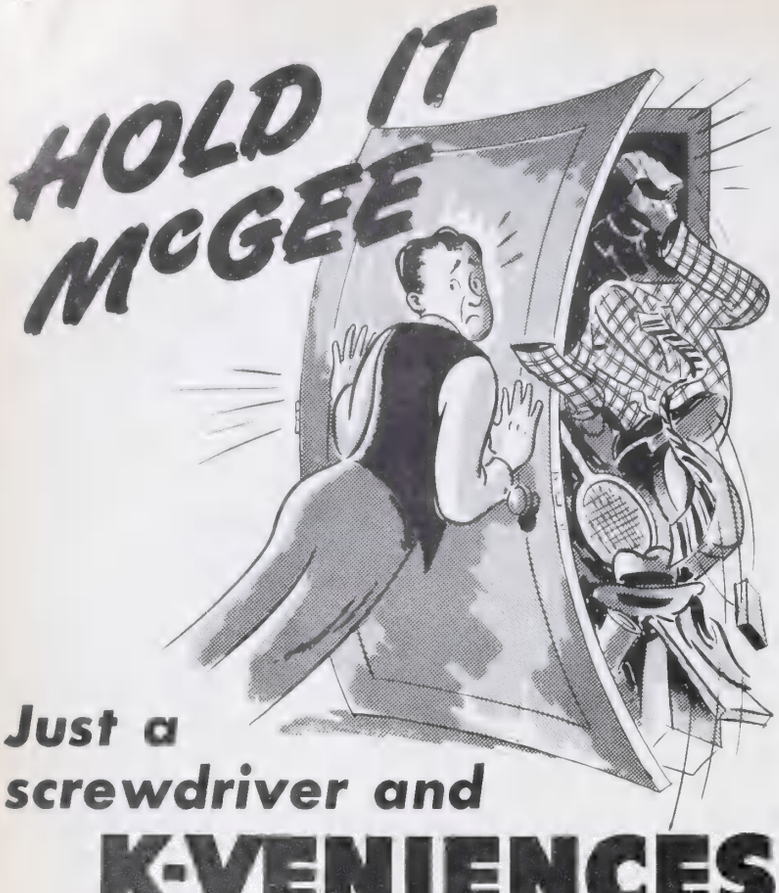
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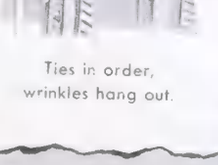
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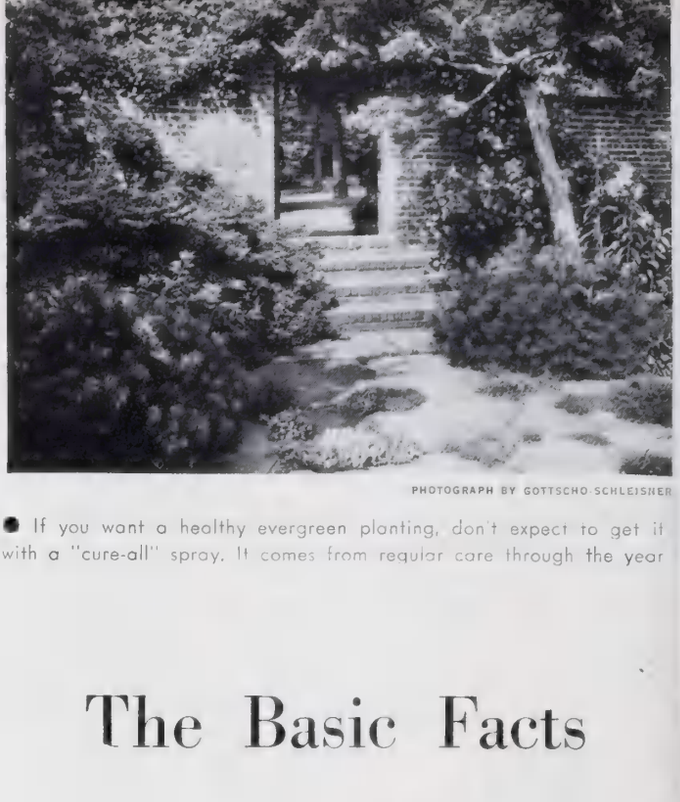
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● If you want a healthy evergreen planting, don't expect to get it with a "cure-all" spray. It comes from regular care through the year

The Basic Facts About EVERGREEN CARE

By R. B. Farnham
Associate Extension Specialist in Ornamental Horticulture
Rutgers University, College of Agriculture

Do your evergreens look like symbols of a lost cause? Is your instinctive response for them and for yourself as their owner one of pity? If so, you are not alone. As a matter of fact, it takes most evergreens, treated as they usually are, but a few years after planting to start looking shabby.

Perhaps your first thought is to wonder if you can't spray them with something. The search for a "cure-all" spray which will rejuvenate and protect in one "fell swoop" has persisted for many years. However, the "cure-all" spray has not yet been found, although there are a few simple things which you may do to improve your plants.

Before we introduce you to our simple solution to this problem, it is a good idea to review the care that you have given the evergreens you now pity so much. Start with the planting job. Even if you selected slow-growing hardy types, such as the Japanese yew, you may have been in such a hurry to complete the job that you neglect soil improvement. You also ove looked elimination of possible tr roots from the area and the cutti away of overhanging branches th now cause drip and shut out mo of the sunlight. Your pocketboo possibly failed to have enough it at the time of planting to allo for the use of the best evergreen so you purchased cheap or fas growing materials such as junipe and chamaecyparis (retinospora Japanese cypress). These plant pretty during youth, lost the principal claims to attractivene as age overtook them.

The selection of plants whic grow old gracefully is a study itself which you will want to loo into before you do any substanti revamping of your planting. Toda however, you are particularly i terested in prolonging the healt and beauty of the evergreens whic happen to exist upon your plac The object is pretty largely one protecting the plants against the enemies and seeing that they a

ell nourished and cared for. The few jobs involved can be pread out over the year, with a ight emphasis on spring, which all to the good because that is e time when you most enjoy outoor work. In the spring you cut ee roots, fertilize, trim tips, and pray. In early summer you mulch e soil, trim the branch tips, wash e branches with the hose, and st with rotenone. In the fall you inforce the mulch and erect ndbreaks at windy corners. That the sum total of evergreen care. nd now for some details.

REE root competition is almost always present somewhere on the me grounds. It is even desirable cause a yard without a tree is dly lacking. Now, if it is possible cut the roots of the tree several et beyond the branch spread of e evergreen in question without rious injury to that tree, then by l means do it. This can be acmplished in a number of practil methods. One man I know pres to use a wide-bladed crowbar. rsonally, I use a heavy nursery ade and simply knife a line across e lawn three feet away from my ergreen bed. This temporarily ts the tree roots and allows the ergreen to get all the benefit of spring rains and spring feeding. Naturally, the tree roots grow back some each year, but I cut them freshly whenever I get around to it.

Having protected the soil around the tree from some of its underground thieves, I now apply a bit of fertilizer in early spring. In the light of present-day knowledge almost any fertilizer can be used effectively if you know how to use it and want to take the trouble. I don't, and if I may be so bold as to suggest it, I don't believe you do either. At least, we at the college receive a tremendous number of trouble cases of which a large percentage are caused by over-fertilization in the intensively cultivated areas such as the home grounds or the greenhouse.

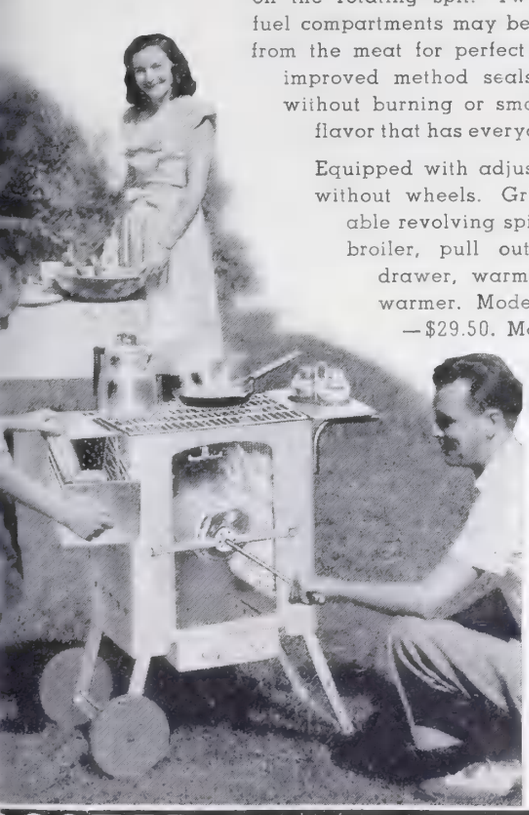
If you feed your evergreens with an ordinary commercial fertilizer which is pretty largely chemical, and probably has an analysis of 5-10-5 or 4-12-4, then make a practice of never applying more than one quart jarful (or two pounds) to the 100 square feet at any one time. It is best applied mixed with equal parts of sand or soil to allow a more even distribution.

My personal preference is for the use of one of the good shredded manures. Most of them will guar-

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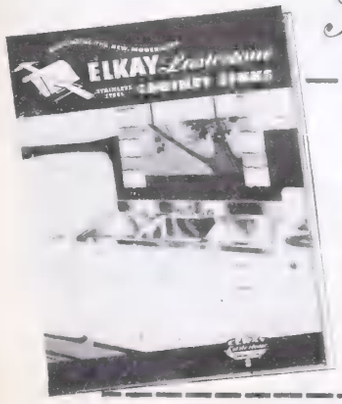
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antee somewhere around two per cent nitrogen and fairly similar amounts of phosphate and potash. Because many of them contain dried poultry manure, the nitrogen is likely to run as high as four per cent in some cases, although this will vary in any brand due to the percentage of litter or roughage which is desirable. Shredded manure is much lighter than other chemical commercial fertilizers, so it is safe to apply approximately one quart jarful to the 100 square feet at a single application.

This is done before spring growth starts on your evergreen. Sprinkle it over the ground surface by hand as evenly as possible. You can apply it directly to the surface of the leaf mulch which has been on the soil all winter. Application of fertilizer will help decompose the mulch. (We sincerely hope that you are not one of those utterly neat people who refuse to give nature a chance to cover the soil with its leafy materials.)

The next spring job—that of applying a "summer oil" spray—is usually omitted. However, if you do this on one of the first warm days before the plants start to grow, you can kill a lot of red spider mites before they do mu damage in sucking the juices o of growing tissue. True, you cou possibly use a dormant oil spra but if your spray was followed a considerable amount of co weather, you might get some har ening or injury of tissues on tend subjects.

FINALLY, you will need to thi about directing new grow where you want it. We hope that y prefer evergreens of natural a graceful shapes rather than shear specimens. Empty spots betwe branches can be minimized by c ting back the tips of branch which have grown faster th others. This is a good time to this preliminary pruning, becau during the approaching growi season the plant will then soon gain its natural outline and n look too barbered. You can give a other pruning later, tipping t new growth back half way to i duce bushy growth.

Be very sure, before the h weather sets in, that the so around your plants is covered l some kind of mulch. Probab the most attractive mulch of all the pine needle one. An inch an a half of pine needles will contr weeds, hold moisture, and prote



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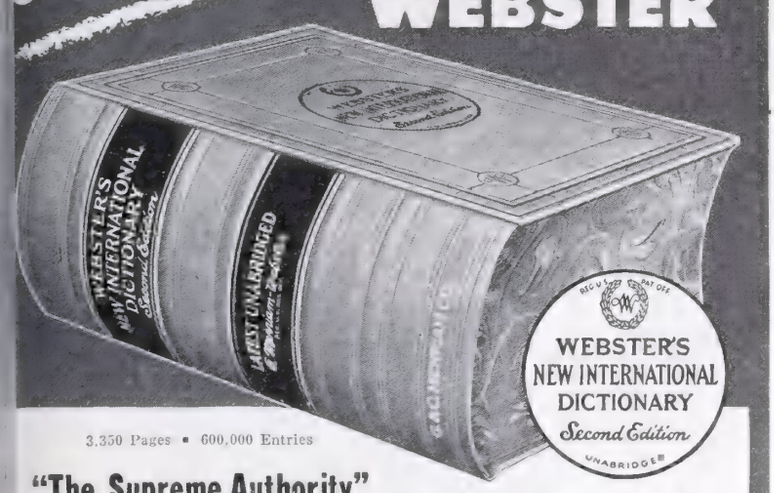
When fall comes, reinforce the mulch and erect windbreaks on windy corners. You can make a satisfactory and attractive appearing windbreak simply by wiring standing spruces or cedars on the windward side of the shrubs. Much wind injury does not occur until after Christmas. That makes it possible to do a pretty fair job of protection with old Christmas trees.

YOU can hold the leaves in place around the plants usually with trimmings of flowering shrubs or small dead branches that have blown down from the trees. In addition to this network of twigs, on a very windy corner you will need to add a few stones or bricks to prevent the wind from getting under the leaves at the edge of the bed and removing them. The stones become almost invisible as the leaves gather around them.

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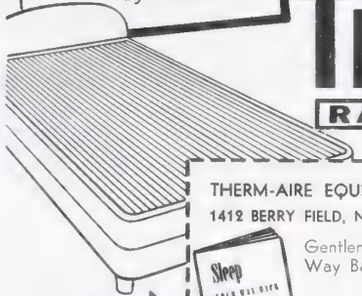
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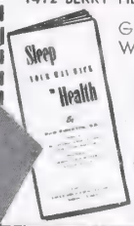
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GARDEN BOOKS WORTH READING

By De Ette B. Jacobs

It is almost as difficult to make a beautiful garden without shrubs as it is to make a comfortable house without bricks, stone, or lumber. But in building a garden most of us are prone to add shrubs as ill-considered afterthoughts or passing fancies.

The title of Mrs. Mary Deputy Lamson's new book is descriptive, not only of the book, but of the underlying value of its subject—not "the shrub garden," or "shrubs for the garden," but *Gardening with Shrubs* (M. Barrows and Company, New York, 1946, $2.75), as one would say "building with building materials."

The emphasis in *Gardening with Shrubs* is on planting not simply for seasonal bloom but year-round beauty. It contains 26 carefully compiled simple and factual lists of shrubs for various purposes, for winter color, for foliage texture, for fall color, for hedges and walls, for combinations with annual and perennial flowers, and also lists of shrubs classified according to the color of their bloom.

The chapter on planting shrubs to enlarge the small flower garden gives food for thought to those who feel they haven't room for shrubs.

Is there anyone who has not wished that his foundation planting might be born anew? There is a fresh approach to this subject in these lines:

"On our own places we too often forget that in winter we are in the house looking out far more than we are outside looking at the house. This leads to the banking of the house itself with evergreens which we see only hastily in coming in and out. . . . On the other hand, if a view from a living room window gives us a picture across a snow-covered lawn to a dark green group of yews or pines or the red and green of America holly, the bleakness of the worl is considerably relieved."

Almost everyone makes the mis take of ordering too many rathe than too few shrubs and of placin them too close together, whic makes a transplanting job inevita ble sooner or later. Mrs. Lamson book gives definite suggestions, a most prescriptions, for measurin space to be planted, making paper plan, figuring amount shrubs to order, and then placin stakes in the ground where th shrubs are actually to go.

The last chapter in the boo is one on the care and feeding shrubs, with advice on specifi fertilizers for different varieties.

It is probable that at some tim or other every gardener ha dreamed of owning a greenhous and an increasing proportion these dreams is being realized. O reading Ernest Chabot's *Green house Gardening for Everyone* (M Barrows and Company, New York 1946, $3), one is almost convince that his "everyone" is literal. As t operation, he says persuasively "My own experience should prov beyond all shadow of a doubt tha anyone can learn quickly to garde in a greenhouse well enough t grow flowers and plants all th year round, and have a lot of fu doing it."

The book discusses various type of greenhouses, with line drawing and photographic illustrations, dat on relative cost of erecting an maintaining, and a chapter on tha ever-important subject of heating all of fundamental interest to th prospective builder.

The information on the selectio and growing of plants, on soils fertilizers, potting, spraying, fumi gating, and watering would seem to be invaluable to the fortunat

who already own greenhouses, and t is not dull reading to those who nly dream of owning.

Two recently published books prove anew the diversification of ardening hobbies. Mrs. Bessie Buxton's *Begonias and How to Grow Them* (Oxford University Press, 1946, $2.25), is a well-ounded presentation of her sub-ect, full of information on the rigin and history of begonias, heir importation and their bo-nical classification, as well as dvice on procedure in growing iem. It is both a reference book r those who have already passed e elementary grades in this study id a usable and understandable troduction for the amateur. There everything to help that amateur his progress from ownership of pot or two of wax begonias on e window sill to the status of llector of the rarer and more fficult kinds. The illustrations e an inspiration to this progress d the text gives careful and de-iled information on how to hieve it.

Garden Lilies by Alan and ther McNeil (Oxford University ess, 1946, $3.50) the authors al with selection and culture, pests, diseases, and soils, but especially they open a wide door to realms of lily growing that go far beyond the average amateur's experience.

There is no misguided enthusiasm in this book attempting to prove that anyone can grow lilies anywhere. On the contrary, there is careful emphasis on the very definite tastes, characteristics, and requirements of the different kinds, with a philosophic acceptance of the fact that some are not for eastern gardens, no matter how reasonable it might appear to believe that they would thrive there.

This frankness about the "miffiness" of certain lilies gives the reader greater confidence in attempting those new to him which are described in the book as hardy. The data on placement, with lists of lilies for the sunny border or for shade, for dry soils or for moist, for early bloom or for late, is particularly helpful.

Just leisurely reading this new book makes one dream of having a succession of lily bloom from spring to early fall, of lilies not only in the flower garden but naturalized in the woodland, even of lilies grown from seed of the gardener's own sowing.





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made the operative builder no less interested than the prefabricator in standardization which could lead to basic economies.

His biggest step was to reduce the number of floor plans in his projects. This allowed him to increase the amount of repetitive work in constructing the house framework. Soon he was pre-cutting lumber to exact dimensions needed in the house. Then came big machinery for site preparation, and field shops to handle repetitive tasks in plumbing, painting, and concrete pouring.

Forward-looking operative builders realized, however, that there were definite limits to the economies possible under these methods. Most operative builders were reluctant to go farther because they could not see how a factory approach to building could be reconciled with the obvious need for giving the finished house a strong individual styling.

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It means finding some mass th can be shifted in position witho altering the basic, standardize interior plan of the house. Th simple, obvious answer is the g rage. An attached two-car garag may be placed in any one of ha a dozen positions with respect the house—projecting forward left or right, almost even with t porch on left or right, well ba to the side on left or right. A d tached garage may be at left right rear. Thus, in effect, the g rage may be rotated about t house to produce needed variati in mass.

The total mass of house and g rage may be altered in positi with respect to the street line. Th varying setback line is a high important device for creating shi ing mass; without it mass housi projects tend to have a walled- look as one gazes down a typic street.

A third fundamental variable the layout and plot plan of t whole community. A wise plan i troduces occasional curvilin streets, which always enhance a effort to vary the mass. Moreov careful plotting of the layout w take advantage of natural contou of the land to heighten the eff of basic change.

These are the sum of the devic chiefly useful in changing ma What of line? Plainly, shifti mass means varying line. But p haps the biggest single factor creating difference in line is Burns system of altering the fo and pitch of the roof.



The Kaiser house may have high gable roof, one with a l gable, one with the four-si hipped treatment, or one with latter style modified by a dw gable near the ridge. Noth could do more to break up monotony of small houses in gr numbers.

The remaining variables are diminishing importance. The po is varied in style and width, res ing in secondary modification both mass and line. Color is var widely on exterior stucco, yet w in the range of blending pa shades. Roofs are likely to be

en, brown, tan, gray-green, and y be of wood shingles, composi- shingles, or a mineral aggre- e spread over heavy felt paper pped with thick tar. Shutters, lises, wainscoting, and other or adornments may be of fir or wood and may be used as wains- ng or siding. Horizontal red- d boards may serve the same pose, as boards and battens .

hese variables in themselves ld not create the rich pattern e observed in a typical Kaiser munity. Nevertheless, they do h to augment the effect arrived y use of the more vital devices change.

matter of great concern in de- ing mass housing is that the in- lual units shall have variety in definite limits. You cannot oduce too much variation or result will be a serious clash tyle. The Kaiser models draw such styles as Colonial, Cape Californian, and Contempo- . Yet they harmonize well. appear as members of the family rather than as iden- twins or strangers.

his approach has been dubbed tem of "controlled variations." g its many fundamental varia- the Kaiser architectural staff could produce some *750 different models.* Actually it is producing 28. This is its answer to the need for a skillful blending in community development. It is also its reply to the planners and others who have long maligned American cities as a hodge-podge of clashing styles.

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and variety in the final product.

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1. LOVE IT **Answer:**.....

Clue: A small modest perennial, I generaliy bloom in springtime. My temperature needs are relatively low and I am quite comfortable in winter at 50° F.

2. I'M AMOS **Answer:**.....

Clue: I'm also known as the Humble Plant. When touched, my leaves fold up. My fellow flowers are many and I am of easy culture.

3. MUSHU **Answer:**.....

Clue: Without me plants have a hard time a-growing for I increase the soil's capacity for absorption of water and the sun's rays.

4. INTO ACE **Answer:**.....

Clue: Hardy perennial, I—favorite for my foliage and showy odd-shaped blooms. When threatened with brown-rot, my most common trouble, please remove and burn those plants which are infected.

5. TAILOR CUT V **Answer:**.....

Clue: I'm made of steel and am invaluable in helping prepare the soil when planting time comes around.

6. LIP KNEW IRE **Answer:**.....

Clue: A trailing evergreen shrub, I'm hardy enough to grow in sun or shade. My lustrous dark green leaves make an excellent background for the more colorful flowers in your garden. I have lovely blue flowers, too.

7. THY CHINA **Answer:**.....

Clue: Plant me in light rich soil for an effective border with my striking spikes of fragrant flowers.

8. I STIR AWE **Answer:**.....

Clue: Wherever you've a bare arbor or wire fence crying for adornment, plant me—for I am vigorous and high-climbing with pleasing foliage and pendulous clusters of fragrant, violet flowers.

9. CAMEL SIT **Answer:**.....

Clue: I am a vine well known for large velvety purple flowers in late summer. I make my best growth in loamy soil with shade over my roots.

10. ONE LUCKY SHE **Answer:**.....

Clue: My white-yellow flowers bloom sweetly in spring. But since I am a vine of rampant growth, plant me with caution so I do not encroach upon and damage other blooms.

Solutions to puzzle on page 215



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A RARE DAY IN SPRING

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The lid was off. I threw out a rocking chair that I had been falling over ever since my marriage. I had all sorts of vases, none of them good, and out they went along with a collection of pots and pans I hadn't used for years and knew that I would never use no matter how long I kept them. I loved taking down the pictures, and intuitively I realized that I had never cared for them, anyway. And while I was at it I figured I might as well clear the cupboards and drawers as well as the surface of the house.

I felt like an archaeologist digging in the ruins, knowing that eventually I would unearth the fundamentals of line and form. My house began to emerge. I had never before seen the beauty of the back wall in my dining room, free of pictures and the what-not shelf. Now it was a clear expanse of serene moss-green wallpaper, restful just to look at. And what nice hardwood floors I had, the grain of the wood showing up symmetrically! I added three throw rugs to the stack of objects in the yard.

MY house and I became more and more related. I like suits and dresses as unadorned as a pencil. Only at a masquerade would you catch me in dust ruffle and bustle, and now I was going to wear my house uncluttered and in good simplicity of furnishing. I am no Frank Lloyd Wright, but with the material at hand I equaled him. Who would ever have thought that an ordinary six-room house in its own small way could rise to the heights and clean, sweeping lines of the practical modern?

In my mind I began to utilize the attic. I saw storage walls and closets built into all that space that had been going to waste. There would be shelves for my magazine files and a moth-repellent closet for winter clothes. We could have dead storage space for luggage, bicycles, sleds, and the snake cages we finally talked Junior into abandoning. At last I would have room to store our seasonal equipment like awnings, patio furniture, garden tools, and Beth's skis. Come to think of it, why couldn't Jim design the garage to do double duty as storage for bulky objects? The bedroom and bathroom closets could stand a little general overhauling, too. Why, the field had not been touched in my house! The scope was limitless. We could go all out with

I couldn't remember ever being in my life enjoying a spring house cleaning. It was no longer a matter of rearranging the same old particles. I was actually cleaning and having something to show for the labor.

I was sitting in the living room admiring my handiwork and dreaming of sectionals when my husband came home. He stopped in the door. "Did they catch him?" he asked.

"Who catch whom?" I inquired loftily.

"Did the police catch the burglar who stripped our house?"

"Dear," I said, "come over here and sit down. I want you to see the view of the side lawn from these windows now that I've taken down the draperies and lace panels. Just look at the branches of the water oak."

"I paid something like a hundred dollars for that drapery material," he remarked gloomily, but he sat down and looked out the window.

"No restrictions," I continued. "Windows are coming into their own and letting you see something of the outside world. I've always wondered why they cut windows in houses and then close them off with curtains and shut out the light and the view. Rather a process of defeating ourselves."

He was beginning to get the point. "Well, it certainly looks clean. No bric-a-brac. No abracadabra."

Stretching ahead, I could see a long vista of years with no spring house cleaning. The kind of house I had in mind would never reach the point of such a general spring gorging. With the removal of all the less and certainly not ornamental furniture, an hour or so with the vacuum would get the job done.



My husband was looking around the room. "It's almost plain enough for a man. Kind a restful with all that junk. Could it be that women are beginning to get some sense about a house?"

Now was the time to prepare him for what was to come. You can't jolt a husband too much, I said. "Of course, this is only the beginning. I have a few ideas for the future."

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HOW TO LEAVE HOME AND LIKE IT

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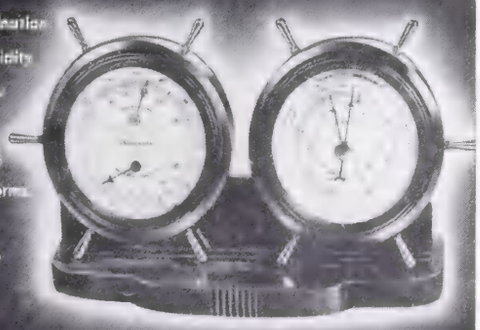
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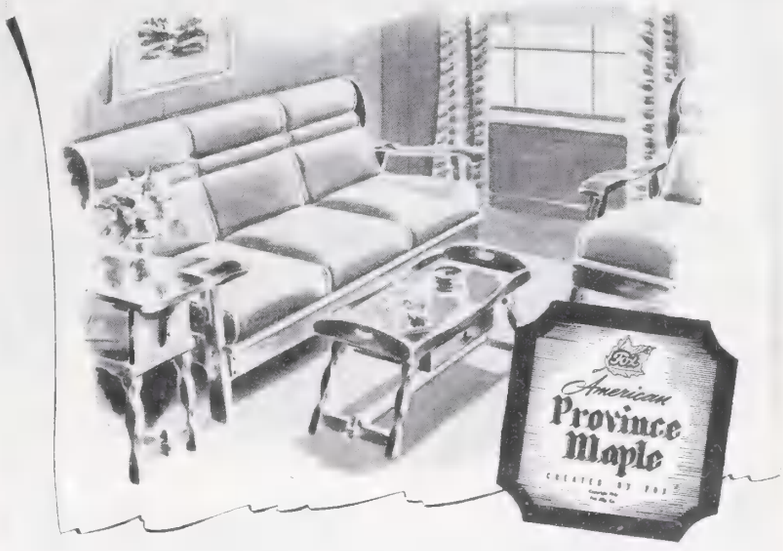
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Other Improvements

If you're a dance fan there's the new pavilion between the Terrace Room and the Beach, a bather's verandah for al fresco luncheons and service from the Royal Surf Room, and a new cocktail lounge opening on the beach. The main lounge, completely done over, opens on both the beach and a spacious verandah which leads to the famous fifteen-acre gardens. Guest rooms have been redone throughout, with many singles and doubles equipped with specially designed "punees" or sofa-beds. All color schemes are in soft pastel shades. Central America, Pago Pago, Switzerland, Mexico, and Guatemala have all been drawn on for woods, mats, voile, floor-coverings, and fabrics to beautify the hotel. The new architecture was designed by Gardner Dailey. The decorating was done by Mrs. Frances Elkins, eminent California interior decorator. Dorothy Liebes, noted San Francisco fabric stylist. Miguel Covarrubias, Mexican muralist, also aided in the reconversion of the Royal Hawaiian. And if you're worried about a couple of odds and ends about the house, think of Warren B. Pinney, managing director, and his 36,948 pieces of crockery, 42,152 pieces of silverware, 20,000 odd yards of carpeting, and 26,297 miscellaneous pieces of linen—among other things!



The Flower Trails

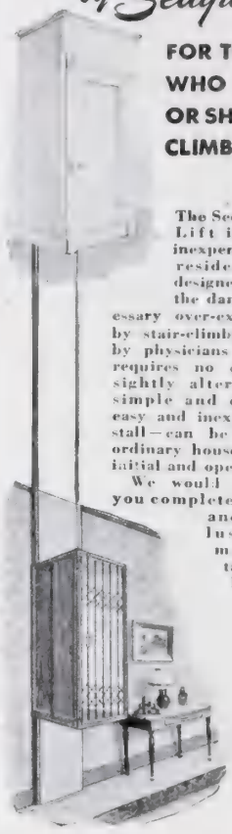
If you're driving south around this time, you've no doubt arranged your itinerary to include visits to some of the famous gardens of the South. While national tours as such fell into the stalemate of war, this year there's every indication of resumption of normal activity.

Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi should be included in your garden pilgrimage list.

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Others to Note

North Carolina lists no wide pilgrimage this year, numerous garden clubs will re annual displays. April 21 an are the dates for the New garden tour, perhaps the



colorful—many historic old h open, guides in Colonial costu Winston-Salem gardens will May 10, with historical tou old Salem. Wilmington and leigh also (probably May 8) tours listed.

Virginia Garden Wee

For the first time since you'll again be able to enjoy ginia's Garden Week, this from April 28 through Ma More than 100 Colonial ga will be opened. Numerous mo gardens also will be on dis Proceeds of 1947 Garden will be used for the restorati the house and gardens of Gu Hall, Virginia planter, state and patriot.

Some Perennials

The Old South would not b Old South without its famous dens, wonderlands of magnolia jessamine, azaleas, camellias, mountain laurel, crape myrtle, roses. There's Charleston's nolia Gardens—25 acres of w lavender, and scarlet aza camellias and wisteria. Calif redwood, Chinese yew, French Spanish cypress trees. Open thr April 30.

Runnymede Plantation— open through April 30—came jessamine, roses and wist

re you'll find the famous Al-ıbet Avenue—trees with names ım A to Z grown in that order. *ldleton Place*—America's first dscaped garden (1740)—eping terraces, overlooking But-ly Lakes, abound in exotic vers and trees. It took 100 slaves years to complete the 45-acre den and 16-acre lawn.

)ther famous gardens include: *ookgreen* and its zoo; *Swan Lake* Sumter, with thousands of giant ; *Kalmia,* near Hartsville,

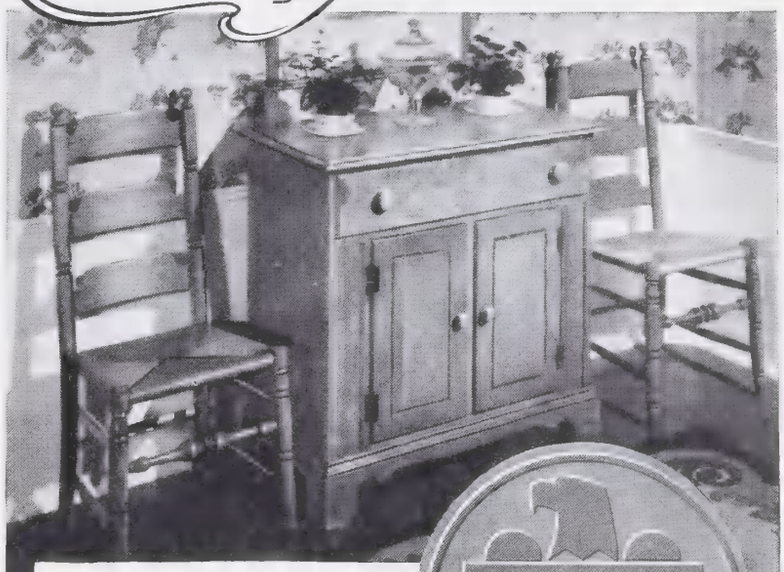


ch boasts 700 varieties of shrubs trees; *Cypress* on the Cooper er; *Belle Isle,* near George-n, boyhood home of Francis ion, "Swamp Fox" general of olutionary fame; *Bellingrath* Isle-aux-Oies (Fowl) River, 20 s south of Mobile, flaunting thousands of giant azalea bushes, an amazing variety of camellia, japonica, rare shrubs, and moss-draped oaks.

Natchez Garden Pageant

Mississippi's halcyon town and its famous Spring Garden Pilgrimage, which opened last month and runs through April, now have been included as a special feature stop on the Greene Line's 20-day Ohio and Mississippi rivers cruises. Two that you can book leave Cincinnati March 22 and April 12. Story of Natchez antedates the war between the States when Indians, French, English, Spanish, American and Confederate forces occupied the city. Few journeys compare with this tour of eighteenth-century fashions and elegance—Stanton Hall, Gloucester, Monteigne, Monmough, Arlington, Longwood, Landsdowne, and Hope Farm. You'll see Victorian drawing rooms, ceilings, mantels, and upholstery of Victoria's time, classic porticos and pink brocades of pre-Civil War days, original Windsor patterns, hand-painted wallpaper, cornices and brocatels with rosewood furniture from France, and remarkable relics of a fabulous period of the Nineteenth Century.

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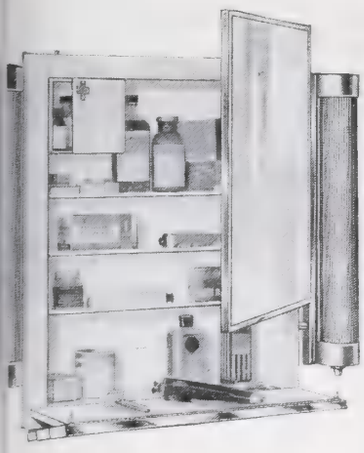
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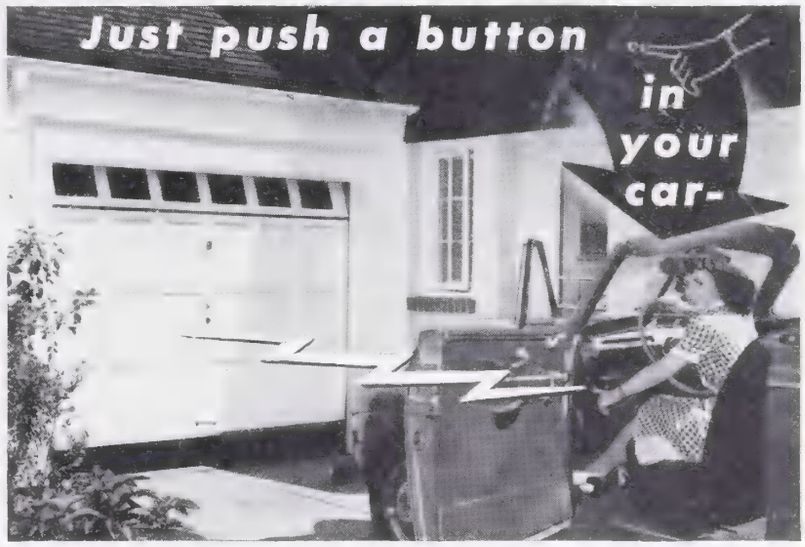
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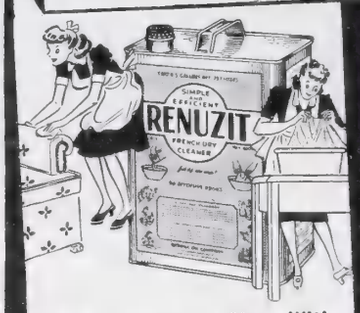
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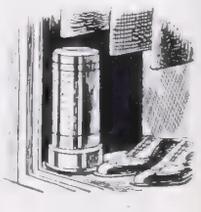
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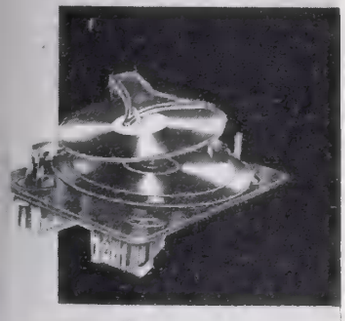


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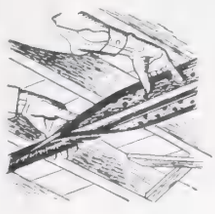


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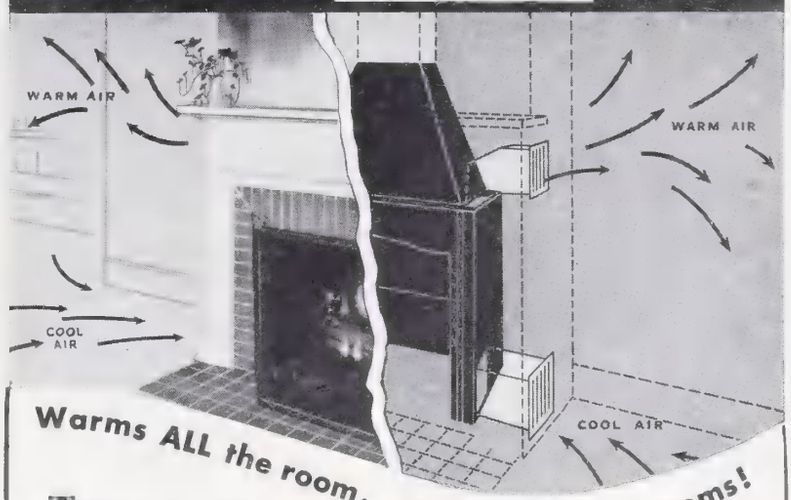
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THE ADAM STYLE

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more urgent and manly business of the sports page. So Little Woman carries on, lonely as a cloud, in the furniture department.

That is why robust American males live in an aura of femininity. Men are simply not interested in taking part in the furnishing of their own homes. They are not interested because they don't know anything about it. And, rather than admit to ignorance, they choose to consider decoration girl stuff, light weight and sissified. They'd rather be caught trouserless in the subway than to be discovered looking at a wallpaper book by one of their confreres. Look at the man who is finally badgered into accompanying his wife to buy a sofa. See how hard he works to look like a fellow who just happened to be passing through the furniture store, instead of a man who is about to part with a couple of hundred dollars for something that is going to become part of his home.

The American male's lack of interest in the furnishings of his own home is hard to explain on many counts. In other older lands, men take an active part in choosing the furniture and fabrics they live with. Men are serious collectors of fine furniture and no stigma attaches to their virility because of this. Yet that doesn't happen here, in a country whose pioneer men not only built their houses single-handed but whittled and carved every item of furniture in it, from the mixing bowl to the baby's cradle. It seems contradictory, too, when you remember that all the great furniture designers have been men—some of them architects of the noblest buildings. The only piece of furniture I recall



which bears a woman's name is the Madame Recamier couch, and it is so referred to not because that lady designed it, but merely because she arranged herself upon it with such grace. Moreover, it seems strange tha men who have such great respect for architecture—an art that is almost exclusively male territory—fail to fathom the close relationship between bui ing a house and dressing it livabl According to their inconsist lights, it is thoroughly befitting male to evince an interest in design of the doors and woodw of a room, but an indication spongecake tendencies to conc oneself with the color of the pa used to cover the same woodw

We must grant that women stinctively lean toward the arts homemaking. But they have hac learn a great deal about vistas a fabrics and scale. And that t are still learning is testified to



the increasing number of boo magazines, newspaper colun museum exhibitions, and dep ment store displays devoted these things.

Now it seems that the next th women have to learn is how arouse the recalcitrant male's terest in learning something ab the styles and patterns and co that make up his home.

At this writing no pedagog method can be guaranteed, beca the project of educating the a age man in decoration is comp tively untried. To date he has sisted all invasions of his ig ance with that "anything you I like" attitude. It is our gu but only a guess, that the l woman could force his hand saying it first. In other words, pleading acute inability to mak decorative decision without b fit of her partner's good judgm But she must stick to her guns insist that he join in the cl for the chintz or the bargain the breakfront. She must re herself to inaction until he wa up to the fact that nothing is g to be done unless he helps to d If she weakens and does the herself, the American home is l where it started from, trilling a its coloratura solo when wha needs most in the world is a firm bass notes.



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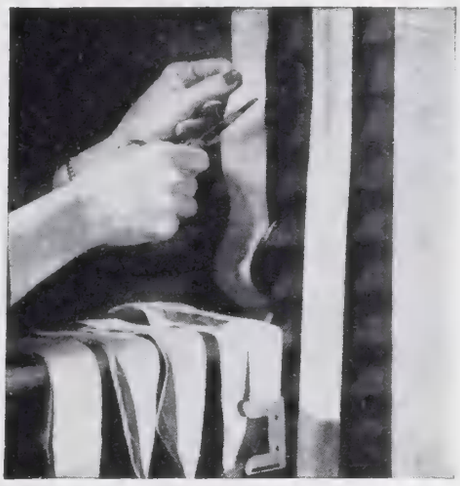
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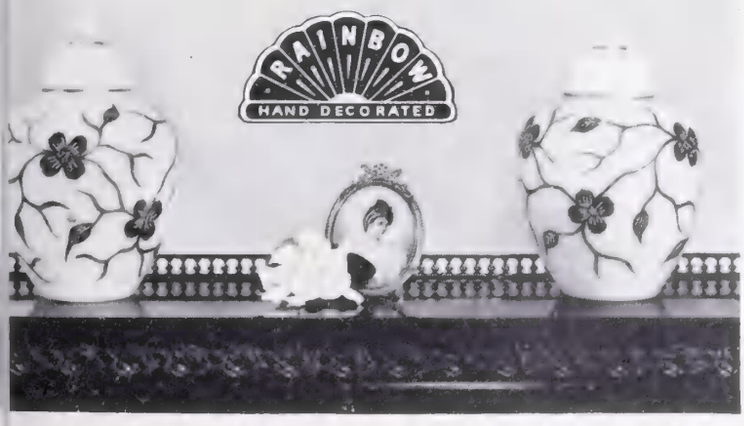


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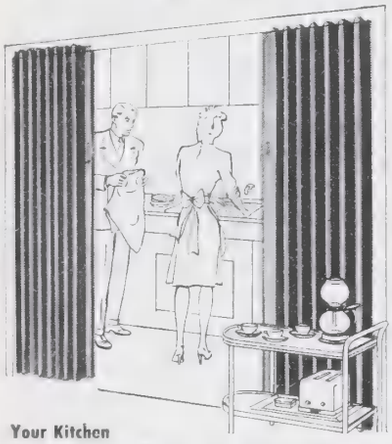
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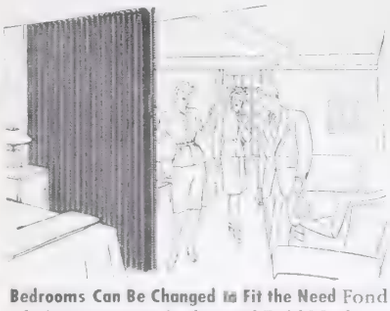
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A Flower Arranger's CALENDAR For April

April is a busy month, with seeds to sow and with early tree and bulb flowers to pick and arrange. Containers need a thought, too.

BY GEORGIANA R. SMITH

In the Garden

1. Have you ordered the same old annuals? Check the list and add a few more to give zest to an arranger's summer. Try bells of Ireland, beautifully veined, ethereal green flowers that will "stump the experts," and be sure to have that dream of a petunia, White Cloud, lazily curled and lavender-shadowed like its name, and some of the new Tetra snapdragons.

2. Get a little more variety in the boutonniere department this year. A husband gets tired of bachelor's buttons and ageratum. The bed along the driveway would be a good place for buttonhole flowers, as they could be picked without getting one's feet wet, at the early hour of a commuter's departure. There should be plenty of small neat "good-keepers" like scabiosas and pinks, particularly giant double Chabaud which is like a miniature carnation, lantanas, and drummond phlox. A good place for Polyantha and small Floribunda roses, too, if there is room.

3. In the cutting garden plan for foliage material, such as decorative kale, caladium, castor bean and *Sideritis candicans*, beautifully gray and velvety. *Cobaea scandens* is as lovely for its foliage as for its cup-and-saucer blossoms. Picked just before frost, last year, it filled a pair of vases on the mantelpiece with delicate greenery and graceful bronze-colored tendrils, and lasted literally for weeks.

4. In the vegetable garden plant leeks, not only for vichyssoise but because their pincushiony blossoms add character to a froth of gypsophila and make the coolest looking midsummer bouquet imaginable.

5. Do not fail to have some perennials in the cutting garden grown in rows for easy cultivation. What arranger would not rejoice over rows of hardy chrysanthemums, helenium, delphinium, Bletisia, thermopsis, Japanese anemones? There could also be *Stachys lanata*, for its broad, woolly, gray foliage, and *Spiraea filipendula* for its dark, ferny leaves, very fine with sweet peas. Some old peonies discarded from the best borders in favor of choicer varieties, would be useful here to furnish bronzy foliage in the fall to go with asters, chrysanthemums or late annuals.

6. If your living room chintz is blue and mauve and pale pink, have a section in the cutting garden for magenta. Grow off-shades of red and pink zinnias, petunias, celosias, salpiglossis; and, for perennials, encourage Kansas gayfeather, rose foxgloves, mallow and perennial pea. Nice with these shades in the silvery green foliage of artemesia and lavender.

7. Paint the garden furniture if you haven't already put this chore behind you. While the paint brush is in hand, paint some of those old-fashioned round tomato frames, not for tomatoes, but for nasturtiums to climb up through and spill over. They make colorful accents in the vegetable garden, and the flowers are easily accessible for cutting.

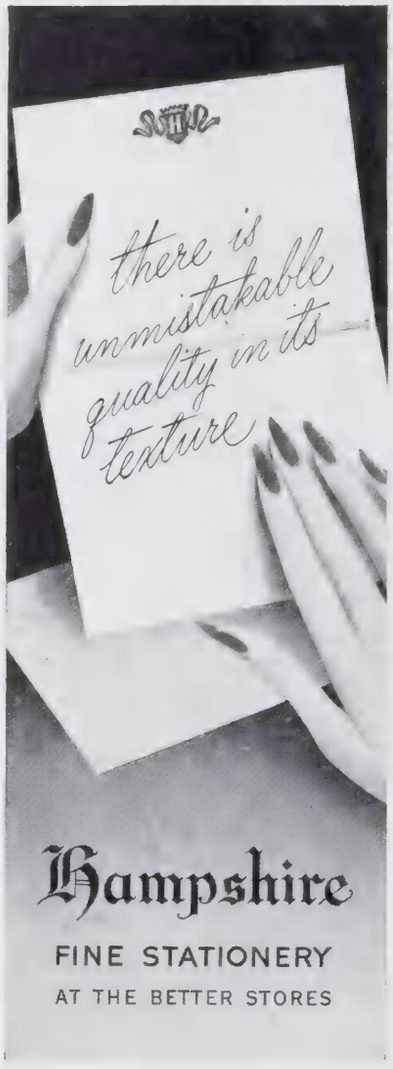
In the House

1. Rainy days in April are heaven-sent, not only to make things grow but to get the potting shed and the flower room in order. Give your vase cupboard a good going over, gleaning a few long-time treasures for the thrift shop or the rummage sale. Or prowl around in antique shops for new vases that are worth shelf room.

2. Hunt up and bring to the most choice small vases to be ready for the first tiny offerings of your garden. Something worthy of the first fritillarias and shooting stars, the first pansies and grape hyacinths. What have you to match their charm? An old Sandwich salt cellar? A tiny Toby jug? A bit of modern Swedish glass, a small satiny Lowestoft cup, or a pewter gill measure?

3. Make a diminutive line arrangement of three snowdrops with a few spears of their own foliage if you like. But for a real sense of spring indoors have a full, thick mass of them, billowing out of a low bowl on the coffee table, so that people will exclaim delightedly, the moment they come into the room, "Mmmmm! . . . *Snowdrops!*"

4. Go for a walk in the woods to see what is happening to the



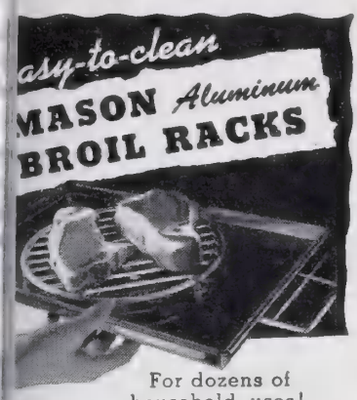


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flowers. Take along your clippers and bring back some branches of budding swamp maple, or ash with its sleek, varnished buds, or some sprays of high bush blueberry that have begun to show a hint of copper. Make a little spring scene indoors, two weeks ahead of the real show. Don't be afraid to pick skunk cabbage, either. It will lose its offensiveness if you leave it in water out-of-doors overnight, and the exotic leaves and fantastic buds are highly decorative for a pine room or on the porch.

5. A busy woman was asked how she found time for flower arrangements. She said she didn't know, unless it was because she always did them *first*. A fresh flower arrangement is an incentive to good housekeeping. "Put a lily on the windowsill and you have to wash the window," Confucius said. (Or anyway, he might have said it.)

6. A dead or drooping flower arrangement has no reason for being. Learn the three R's of flower arrangement: Repair, Replace, or REMOVE.

7. If you can't wait another minute for spring, buy a few plants of early blooming perennials, like arabis, *Alyssum saxatile*, or *Campanula carpatica*, and pot them up to bloom in the house. Dig up a few shivering yellow crocuses, bulbs and all, and a fat violet plant or two, and make a miniature spring garden in a flat copper bowl. Then call in a neighbor for a cup of tea—and a little added pleasure over your bit of spring-come-early!

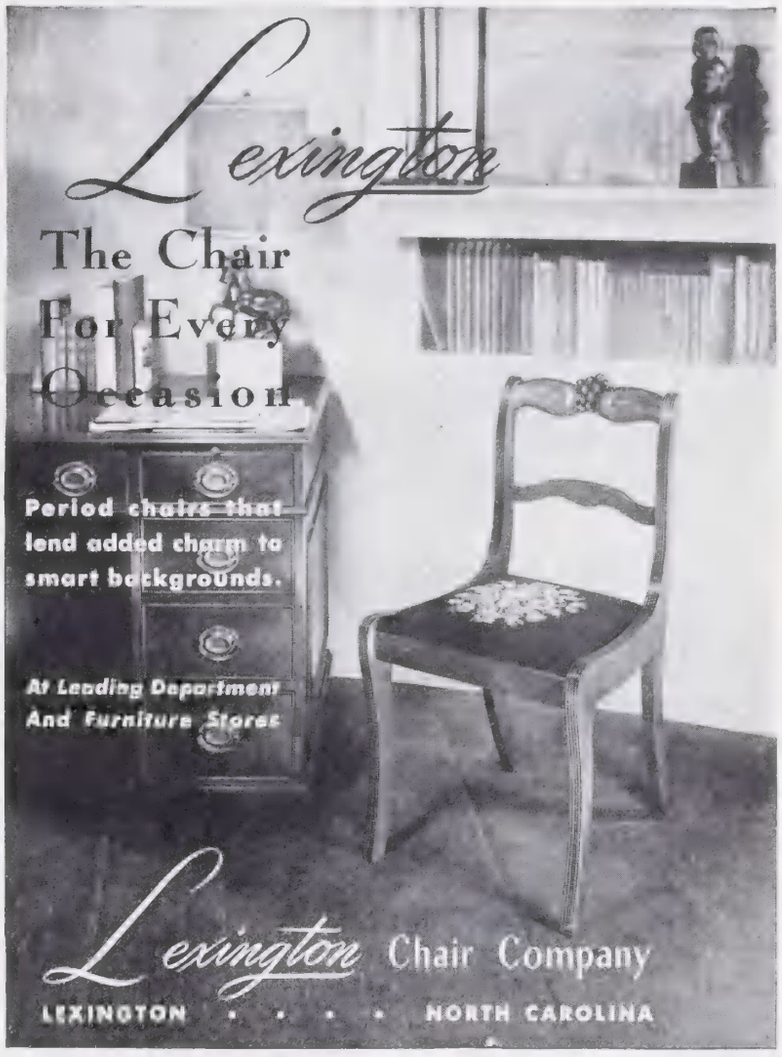
IS THERE AN ANSWER TO THE HOUSING SHORTAGE?

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government policies, rising costs, materials shortages, and delays—a combination of handicaps that might have overwhelmed a less hardy industry.

Many of these handicaps have already been removed, or will soon be removed. The year 1947 promises to double the achievement of 1946 in terms of dwelling units completed. It promises to better greatly the 1946 achievement in terms of the quality of the houses built and to bring at least some improvement in terms of cost. Does this mean that the shortage will be remedied in 1947? No, but it does

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mean that the high pressure will be off the market and panic buying will be over.

An additional year of about a million-house volume will probably see the end of the shortage altogether, in terms of the mere matching of numbers of families to numbers of houses. Then, if census predictions come true, we could coast along with about half a million new dwelling units a year and still keep pace with the net increase in the number of families and the making up for losses from fire and absolute physical deterioration of old houses.

But even after 1948 there will be a shortage of desirable, attractive, modern dwellings. This shortage, however, is a different sort of thing from the one that now activates the market. It grows out of the demand, not just for a house, but for a better home. It can become important only if the appeal of style, of greater comfort and convenience, and of greater value all around is made strong enough to cause people to sacrifice something of what they already have, as they do when they trade in an old car.

From 1948 or 1949 onward, if architects, builders, and the manufacturers who supply them are to keep fully busy, they will have to create this second kind of demand and cater to it. They will have to provide steadily improving quality and they will have to do it at costs that will encourage families to uncrowd, spread out, and pay for more space. In other words, the building industry will have to act like any other industry that seeks to maintain or expand its production year in and year out.

This possibility can be realized. Already, even under the current stress, we can see the beginnings of a new attitude toward the market —an awareness that, for the long pull, the public must be courted with style, quality, and price. One clear example of this is illustrated in this issue. But more than being a display of attractive houses, it indicates that house-building is growing up in an industrial sense, and sharp business attitude toward public demand is being developed.

As this movement grows, we not only shall be able to overcome the present unbalance in numbers of houses—a temporary job for the most part—but we shall also be constantly satisfying and constantly creating a new kind of shortage which will mean a constantly improving standard of housing for the country as a whole.

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USE PLANT LABEL THAT LAST

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label was tied on the lilac copper wire more than ten y ago and is still practically as as new. The other is older homemade and inscribed with indelible pencil. Twenty years the gardener bought sheet zinc it weather outdoors for six mo until the surface became comp ly oxidized or evenly rough, cut it into suitable sizes with snips. He punched a hole in e attached it to a stout galvan wire stake, and his marker complete. The penciled name o rose has lasted outdoors all t years.

Homemade metal labels are good methods of marking, but many people today will go to length to make them. And don't need to, because many ones are available ready-made with all the facilities for ma embossed ones practically in palm of one hand.

The Roover label (see 130) is one that you can n today with little effort. The Ro embosser comes equipped wit roll of rustless monel metal you can cut your labels any sired length and punch holes well as letters, with a self- tained device. This is the kin gadget for a gardener who like get out his plant order list make up his labels leisurely in evening.

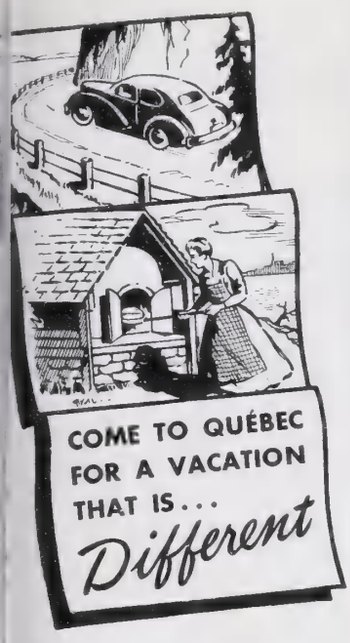
If you prefer to make label the spot, there are several dur all-metal types that you can scribe with a stylus or pencil. M of them have stout metal st that you can thrust several in into the soil. Price is 10 to 15 c

Available for marking woo or manila temporary labels are eral makes of indelible ink. Pr



bly the quickest method of p ing labels is with a Speedy Br pen (see page 131); it comes indelible ink in one of sev colors and is useful for addres packages as well.

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celluloid labels and some with metal stakes and heads to hold replaceable cards. One of the most durable and unobtrusive for your garden is the Perfect garden label, a soft gray-green from 3½ to 7 inches long in several styles, for borders and for tying on. They are especially designed to resist heaving in winter and being stepped on. Of a shinier grass-green is the small Duramark plastic label. This, too, can be marked with lead pencil to last many seasons. These two types cost less than 10 cents each and markings can be erased for re-use another season.



Labels with replaceable cards come in several designs. The Perfection marker has a durable aluminum card, to be labeled with a stylus and then with indelible ink. Others come with transparent weatherproof windows for heavy paper cards. They should last over a winter or more, though eventually moisture seeps through.

To meet the needs of botanical gardens and other horticultural institutions, a couple of manufacturers are developing labels that will be more permanent than any made to date. One is of enameled steel, and the other of laminated paper plastic. Of a size and price outside the home gardener's use, they will be ideal for public gardens.

When you buy labels for this year's garden, consider their size and appearance in your garden in addition to their durability, price, and ease of inscribing. Have them large enough so they won't get lost, but not so large or showy that they compete with your flowers. Use each in a set location in relation to each plant, so you'll know which label marks which plant. Place them close enough so the developing foliage will hide them partially, but not so well that you can't locate them when a visitor asks a variety name.

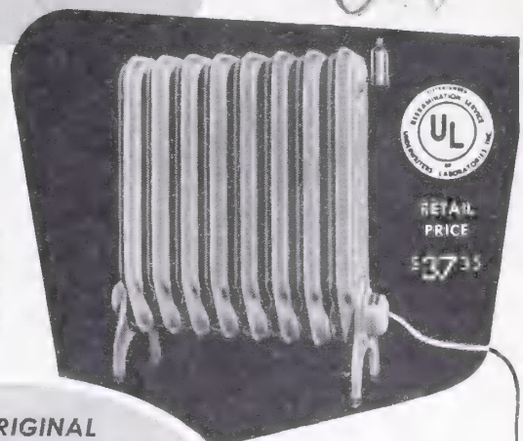




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WHAT AND HOW TO PRUNE IN APRIL

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From then on, correct pruning each year will leave nothing on the shrub but vigorous, clean, lively growth. Dead wood may be removed from deciduous shrubs during the dormant period. But unless the pruner is experienced, it is simpler to do all pruning of shrubs in this category immediately after flowering. This obviates waste effort on the part of the shrub, and insures the maximum amount of good quality bloom.

The diagrams show how this kind of pruning is done. The sketch for forsythia typifies how to prune shrubs which flower mostly on two-year-old wood. The pruning diagram for spirea shows how to prune shrubs which flower mostly on one-year-old wood.

The basic rule is: Cut all spent flowering branches back to the first clean shoot or active bud to be found on the branch being pruned. This does not restrict the shrub in size, but allows you to build it to a graceful, open, natural shape.

Shrubs and vines which should be pruned immediately after flowering include:

Those Flowering Mainly on One-Year-Old Growth

Clematis montana and varieties (Note: This does not apply to *Clematis jackmani* and similar large flowered hybrids.)
Cytisus or broom
Exochorda or pearlbush
Prunus persica hybrids (double flowering peaches)
Prunus amygdalus varieties and *P. glandulosa* varieties (double flowering almonds)
Spirea species and hybrids, such as *S. arguta, prunifolia plena, thunbergi,* and *van houttei.*

Those Flowering Mainly on Two-Year-Old Growth

Deutzia
Forsythia
Kerria japonica or greenstem kerria
Philadelphus or mockorange
Rhodotypos kerrioides or jetbead
Weigela

Those Flowering on One- and Two-Year-Old Growth

Jasminum nudiflorum or winter jasmine
Tamarix, spring and early summer-flowering species such as *T. tetrandra* (Note: Late summer and fall-flowering species, such *T. aestivalis,* which flower at tips of the current season's gr are pruned as discussed month.)
Viburnum opulis sterile or s ball

If you want flowering bran for decoration in the house, any of these shrubs to your h desire. You are going to cu all the flowering branches an after they are through bloom Of course, the branches lef the shrub last in bloom lo than those that are brought in house. But isn't it wonderfu feel that you need to have n hibitions about cutting bran for decoration!

Notice that the list above cludes the double-flowering pea and almonds. These are the flowering *trees* which will not fer from unlimited cuttings. the other flowering trees re very different pruning and ma made most unsightly by exce cutting for decoration. T peaches and almonds, however best stripped of every flowe branch, either while they ar bloom or immediately after bloom is over. The next year will produce just as luxuria crop as ever. They need the st lation which this pruning prov

THE following group of deciduous and broadleaf green shrubs requires no pru other than the *prompt* remova dead flower heads as soon as wither and fade. This is im tant! If the flower heads go to s they will sap a great deal strength from the shrub. The ting of unlimited quantities of will, in many cases, cut down amount of bloom buds formed the next year. Shrubs of type should *not* be pruned a flowering nor cut heavily for d ration when in bloom.

Azalea species and hybrids
Camellia japonica varieties
Enkianthus species
Kalmia latifolia or moun laurel
Pieris formosa, floribunda, jap ica and other species of androm
Rhododendron, most species hybrids
Syringa vulgaris or lilac, va ties and hybrids

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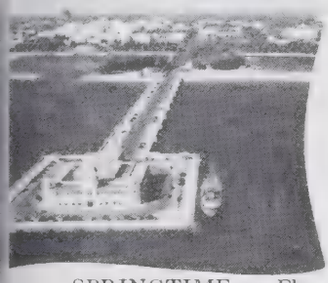
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when you cut a spray of bloom from one of these shrubs you are removing not only this year's bloom but also next year's at the same time. And it may even be three years before a heavily pruned branch will produce blooming tips.

"What!" you say, "*Not* cut lilacs for decoration?" Well, just remember that with every branch you cut you are removing both



this year's and next year's bloom from that particular branch. However, if you take *not more* than one-third of the bloom each year from any healthy free-blooming lilac, the shrub will be able to maintain a constant supply of bloom from year to year.

If you cut the branches judiciously, this light pruning can help to make the plants more shapely. The only other pruning that a regularly pruned lilac is likely to need is the removal of dead or very weak twiggy wood down in the heart of the shrub. This is best done immediately after flowering also.

But perhaps you have old shrubs in this category that have become misshapen through crowding and neglect. A severe pruning may be necessary to reshape and restore the bushes. The best time to perform this restorative pruning on spring-flowering shrubs is just as they are coming into bloom.

The amount of pruning you give them should depend partly on the condition of the shrubs and partly on the amount of reshaping that is needed. Remembering that a very heavy pruning will probably prevent them from blooming for several years, you may prefer to extend your renewal pruning over a period of three years, cutting out one-third of the heavy old branches to the ground each spring. This works very satisfactorily with lilacs, and with mountain laurel and rhododendrons.

Solutions to puzzle on page 201

1. Violet	6. Periwinkle
2. Mimosa	7. Hyacinth
3. Humus	8. Wisteria
4. Aconite	9. Clematis
5. Cultivator	10. Honeysuckle



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I object to grocery store vegetables because they put a limitation on my menu-building. I got so tired of having my meals hemmed in with the time-worn triangle of carrots, string beans, and peas that I decided to take steps: I would grow my own. You just can't raise cooking to a fine art with the sparse variety the stores offer you. So I grow things that allow us to make delicious sallies into new eating and seasoning experiences. My salads, for instance, are completely my own, down to the last fragile trace of tarragon from my herb garden. In other words, I grow vegetables that enable me to avoid food clichés."



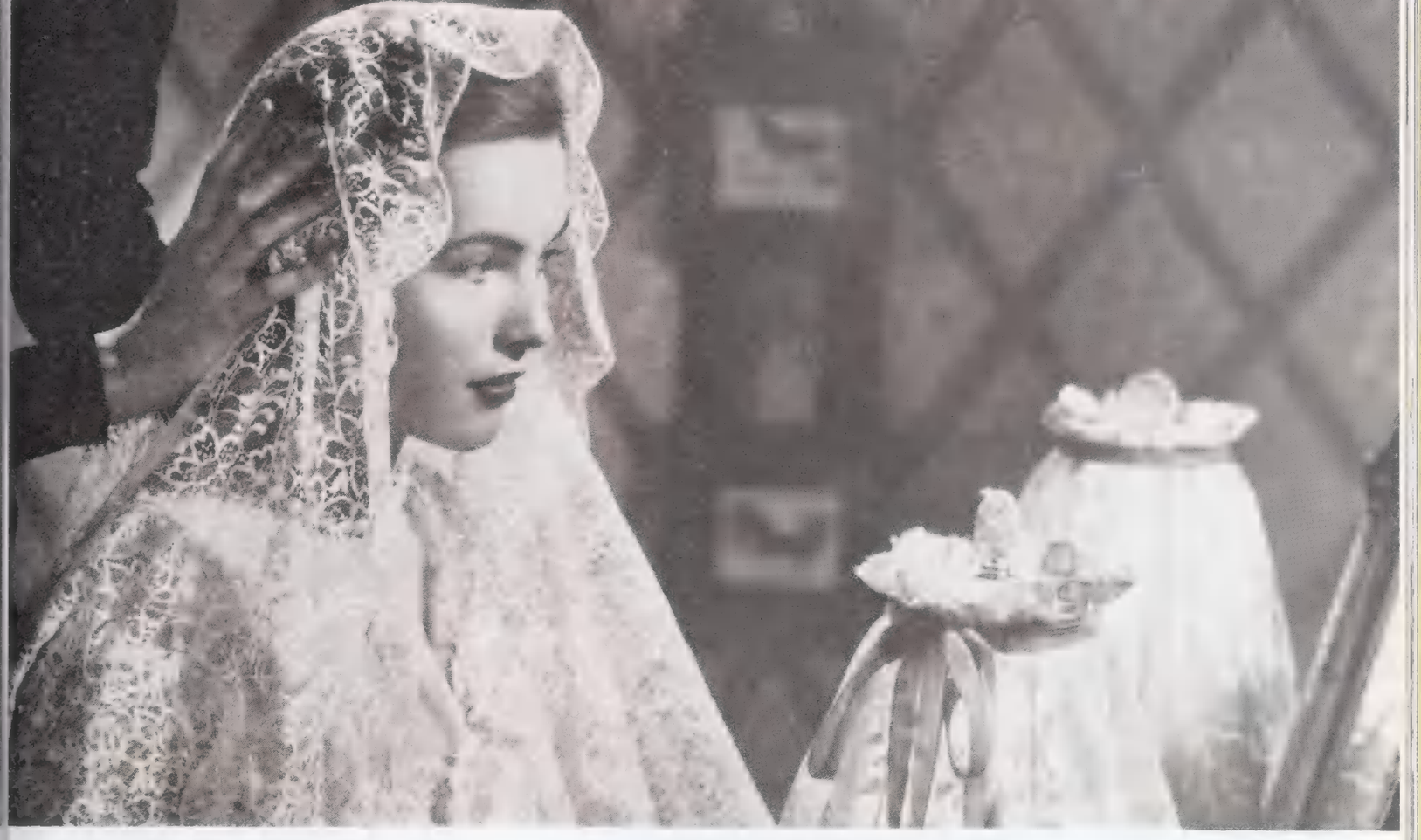
George B. Adams
President,
Everfast Fabrics

I grow vegetables for the relaxation and exercise involved in the process, and especially for the triumphant feeling you get when they appear on the dinner table. For some reason, vegetable gardening always seems more masculine and productive to me than flower growing because it has some economic value. In addition to growing all the traditional things, I experiment with something new each year: peanuts one year; canteloupe in 1946: okra for 1947; maybe globe artichokes for 1948."



Brooke Cadwallader,
Scarf Designer

I suppose I continue to struggle with my own vegetables because I am a perfectionist. I like to know that they're fresh from my own garden rather than limp fugitive's from two week's in my grocer's refrigerator. We take special pride in our corn, picked, shucked and boiled five minutes before dinner. And I like the decorative aspects of our tomatoes, which come in all sizes and two colors. In fact, I don't understand why more people don't realize that most vegetables are highly decorative and lend themselves as handsomely to colorful arrangements as flowers do. The Cadwallader tomatoes, for example, do triple duty: they appear *au naturelle* for summer salads and table décor, eventually are canned whole for winter use."



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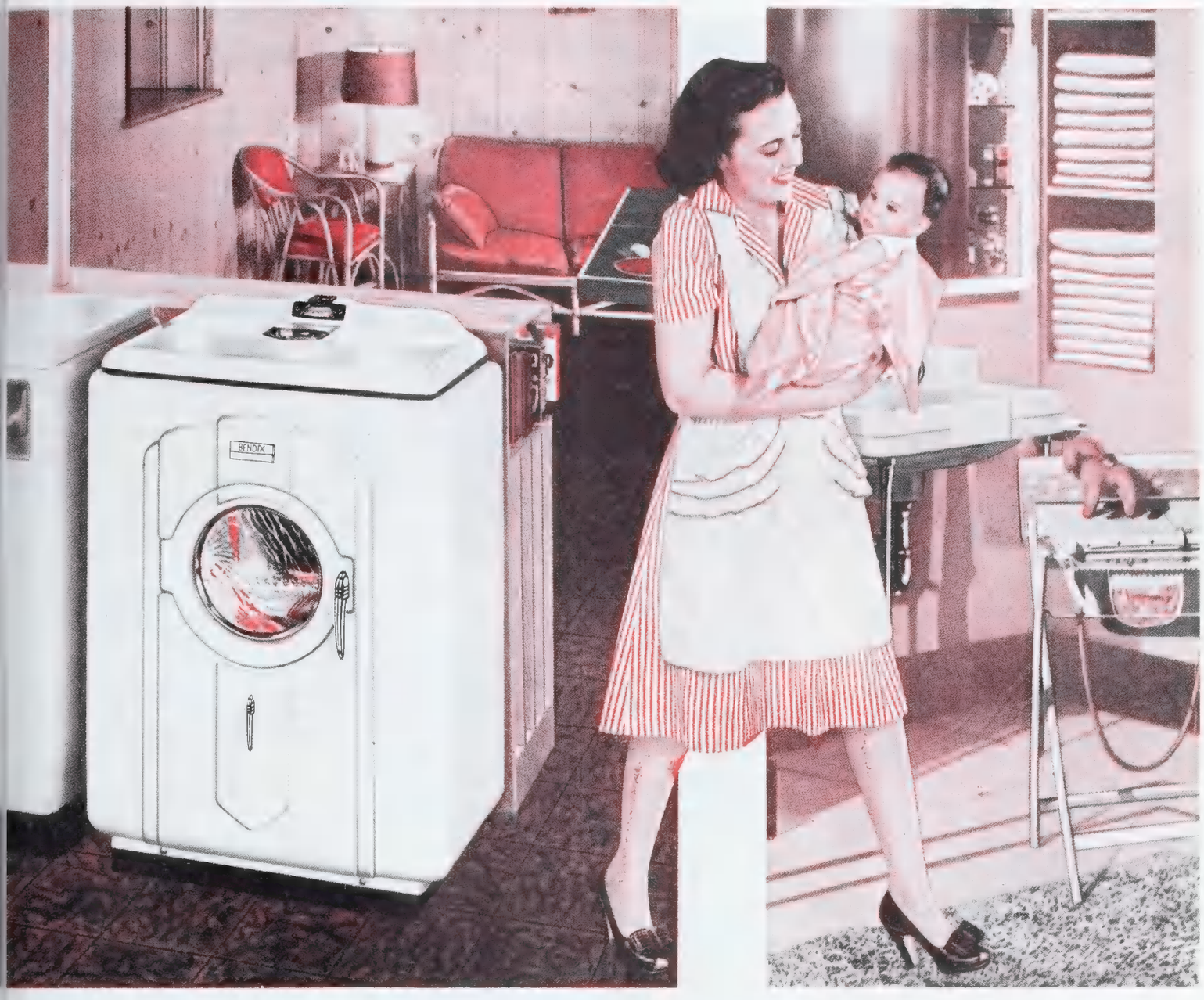
● The three identical Kaiser houses, which are analyzed on pages 106-121, have standardized bathrooms that look individual. Dots and flowers on Koroseal shower and window curtains color the Provincial bath. Wall at right is storage wall, serving bath and bedroom

NO MONOTONY— Despite Standardization

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● Bathroom in the Modern house owes its look of distinction to those boldly patterned Koroseal curtains with life-size conch shells and sea grasses rampant, and to colored tiling, installed window-high around tub. Kitchen, next door to left, shares plumbing system



You skip off to bathe the baby

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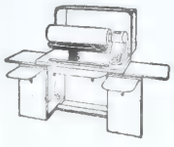
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HOUSE CLEANING IS OUT OF DATE

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hour or so. There are dozens of floor waxes on the market of these various kinds. Among the familiar names are Johnson's Glo-Coat, Super Shine-All, Woodee, Samae floor wax, Lin-X, du Pont's floor wax, Tavern, Old English, and O-Cedar waxes, Lin-X Clear Gloss, and one put out by the Simoniz people. Bruce, who makes flooring, also makes a cleaner for flooring and linoleum.

Linoleum and Rubber Tile Floors are no problem now with the same quick-drying waxes used on wood floors. If you use a clean-as-you-wax product, so much the better, for water and linoleum do not get on too well together, unless the water is used very sparingly. Otherwise, it can penetrate to the backing, rot it, and cause changes in surface color. No-rub or self-polishing waxes are best for linoleum in kitchens and other places where there may be heavy traffic and where heavy dirt may accumulate. A wax coating, as in the case of wood floors, protects as well as enhances. If slippery floors are one of your pet aversions, look for a wax with non-skid properties. One is Lin-X which is both self-polishing and anti-slip.

Cleaning Rugs and Carpets: Your vacuum cleaner, of course, is your most useful and efficient tool. If it is used frequently, it will dispose of the dirt before it has a chance to penetrate the pile. If spots materialize, or extra soil appears where there is heavy traffic, you can use one of the so-called shampoos. Liquid shampoos are best left to the ministrations of the professional rug cleaner. But you can use the powdered ones at home yourself, if soil is light. These contain absorbents and solvents which will take care of dirt not heavily accumulated and ground in. Among these are Powderene and Puritan.

Your vacuum cleaner also is your best tool for cleaning Venetian blinds. If they get smudgy and finger-marked, just wipe them off with an all-purpose cleaner, those designed to clean painted surfaces, or those combining cleaning agents with wax, which permit cleaning and waxing in one process. One specialized product for the purpose is known as the VB Kit.

Cleaning Furniture: There are two problems to be met: removing dirt and protecting and polishing the surface. But today you can form both processes with one p uct in one operation, thanks cream waxes which flow on ea wipe off quickly, leaving a cl satiny finish. Because these con no oils or fats, they leave no They require no hard rubbing. an extremely durable and hard ish on furniture that normally t a lot of punishment, like di room or coffee tables, paste wa probably best, even though it require harder rubbing.

There are also scratch-concea waxes, made with pigment in dients which penetrate scrat or even the tiny pores of the w which occur sometimes in woods as dark oak. The pigr fills in these scratches or p making them almost invisible leaving no residue of dried cr polish.

The list is legion, but som the best established furniture ishes are Reviva, Jackson of don's Patina or Old English T Endura, JNT Tabletop wax, Li O'Cedar, Simoniz, Club, Tav Wesson, Samac, Johnson's Cr

Cleaning Upholstery: It's enough to clean upholstery as go along, before there is dee over-all soil to be removed. rug-cleaning powders menti above are good for mild soil. purpose liquid cleaners can be where washing is called for. F cleaners, which whip up into dry suds or lather, are easy to since the suds absorb soil, w then can be wiped off either a dry cloth or with your vac cleaner, if it is a make that absorb liquid as well as dry Mystic Foam, Mirra Clean, Sim Foam, Windsor Foam, Old En Foam, Vapoo are a few uphol cleaners you may want to kee your list.

Polishing Silver can be al anything you want it to be— a quick dip and a rinse to th miliar rubbing and polishing. former is the fastest and inv the least work of any we k about. It works by electrolysis quiring no rubbing or polis and, therefore, no messy rag hands. Known as Dippo, the der comes in individual envel of aluminum foil. You empty powder into a glass or enamel of very hot water, add the env itself and the silver, leave for a

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Fashions for Kitchens



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by WALTER DORWIN TEAGUE

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How you can tell quality in Steel Venetian Blinds

Planning to decorate a new home—or redecorate your present house? Then you probably want to buy Venetian blinds.

Yet, although you can tell a fine piece of furniture by the gloss of its finish, do you know how to tell quality in steel Venetian blinds?

Here is what an interior decorator will tell you. The best quality steel Venetian blinds are made with galvanized, bonderized flexible steel slats—for these reasons:

. . . Galvanizing puts a coating of zinc over the steel for protection against rust and corrosion.

. . . Bonderizing adds a chemical coating to keep paint from cracking, checking or chipping.

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That's technical, of course. But here is one easy, positive way to identify blinds made with galvanized, bonderized steel slats:

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Look for this seal of quality when you buy Venetian Blinds

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ten seconds, then rinse and dry. This method obviously cannot give the patina that comes with buffing. It must not be used for silver with an oxidized or French-gray finish, which it would remove.

Some of the new liquid silver polishes, formulated after the products used by silversmiths themselves, speed up cleaning time because they spread readily, leave no film, do not cake in embossed designs. Pastes take a little longer to apply and polish, but give a soft satiny finish liked by many people.

There are several means of avoiding an orgy of silver cleaning. One is the use of impregnated paper known as Silver Sheets, with which you remove stains, such as that left by eggs, as you wash the silver. Also, there are several tarnish-preventers on the market. One is the familiar treated cloth, which may be wrapped around the silver or used as lining to the silver chest. Others are powdered chemicals, which placed jar and all in the silver drawer or chest, will protect it for from six months to a year. In these, crystals turn to vapor when exposed to air, and the vapor resists sulphides in the air which produce tarnish.

Liquid polishes you may want include JNT with Tarnish Retarder Added, Club Silver Polish, Wesson, Wallace Sterling Silver Polish, and Samae polishes. Tarnish preventers include Pacific Cloth, Nopol, and Vigil powder.

Brass and Copper Polishes are somewhat similar to silver polishes, but generally are on the acid side for removing oxidation produced by exposure to the atmosphere. Liquid and powder polishes are equally effective, are just a matter of preference. Seabrite, Samae Miracle Cleaner, Noxol are among easily workable products.

Cleaning Heavy Soil: A fine scouring powder still is the best thing to use for heavy soil in kitchen and bath, except on surfaces subject to scratching, which abrasives might injure. For refrigerators, ranges, cabinets, there are special cleaners requiring only wiping on to dissolve the dirt. As a rule these contain a detergent, either soap or a synthetic, and sometimes wax as well, so they can "wax as they clean." Many all-purpose cleaners are good for this kind of cleaning—as the labels indicate. In addition, there are special products, like du Pont's refrigerator cleaner, Sani-Wax, Enduro,

Heavy Grease Removal: removal of grease from pots pans, and ovens, is much si than it used to be. Now chem float away the grease, sparing from rubbing and scrubbing ruining your hands. Unless have a very bad case of grease, the new products s work for you. Some are spe compounded to dissolve g others are synthetic deter which have other cleaning p ties besides dissolving grease. for I. C. Degreaser, Korex Cleaner, Penetone, Samae M Cleaner polish, Club G Cleaner.

Cleaning Glass Surfa Windows, mirrors, glass fur tops, are much easier to keep kling clean than they used t Now there are liquids you spray or even "swipe" on wi applicator, then wipe off w clean, dry cloth. These cle contain no soap, therefore lea film or coating requiring hard bing. Some of the all-pu cleaners are good for cle glass, and if so, it will be so on the label. Specialized pro include Windex, Sparky, Club dow Cleaner.

Miscellaneous Helpers include Dusorb, a liquid which you chemically treat dustcloths to make them du Lexol, a self-penetrating cond er, is intended for leather tops and upholstery; will k clean, supple, free from crack wear. In climates where mil a threat, and in summer l closed for the season, you avoid the destruction of the f growth, and prevent its retu months, by applying Mil-D or Mil-Kil, or Mo-Mo-Mol. are applied direct to articles protected. "Drier-Outer" is a uct to be stored in closets, ments, and places where m might develop. This product denses moisture out of the air turing it in its own container it can do no harm. Deodoran combat food or stale cig smoke odors, musty smelling ets, and such, include Nil, can easily be sprayed with it applicator to destroy, not r mask, unpleasant odors. Elene Air Freshener, Air Wick, H Closet Perfume. You can eve proof curtains and table clo home, with a product calle Blaze. Rinsed or sprayed wit Blaze, fabrics will char, bu not support combustion and, fore, cannot constitute a fire h


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YOU MEET SUCH INTERESTING PEOPLE

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sorting out our contacts. Then we took turns calling them. After investing a full month's rent in AT&T we had two more martinis.

It seemed that our friends were in no position to be contacts. In one hour we heard more harrowing tales than Mr. Anthony collects in a fiscal year. Those friends who owned roofs had a waiting list that made Mrs. Dibble's 900 look like a dribble. The silence was like a high wall.

"I suppose there are always the papers," David said hollowly.

"Those places are taken 24 hours before they run the ad," I said sulkily.

David looked at me as though I were Confucius. "You're right," he said. "It's the early bird who catches the first love-nest. Let's go down to the Journal Building and line up for the 11 P.M. edition."

We were the third in line. Number 1 was a wedge-toothed old lady carrying a lethal red umbrella. Behind her stood a large Lincolnesque character reading a racing form. The red umbrella beckoned to us benignly.

"I am Mrs. Biderhof," she said, as though welcoming us to a new community. "You must be new in town. And this is Mr. Hakon." She rapped on the racing form with her umbrella for his attention.

Mr. Hakon acknowledged us briefly. "Second Looey in the third at Jamica," he said. "Dropping in class and comes from behind. Welcome to the park bench set."

BY 11 P.M. the three had become an assorted assemblage of forty-six. Behind us was a full professor at Columbia, a Fuller Brush man, two Rockettes, and a civil engineer. Mrs. Biderhof, apparently the house-mother of the group, performed the introductions.

"The first ad will probably sound good to you—but don't consider it," the blond Rockette said to David, sotto voce. "It's been running for three days now. They say they're three Princeton boys interested in communal living, but I think it's a front for that young communist league."

The early edition suddenly appeared through a side door, borne by a pimply-faced office boy with as much reverence as though he were presenting Mohammed with his mountain.

The limp line stiffened as though abruptly pulled up by a taut wire. Before the wave hit him, the man at the desk said, "Hold your h boys, here we go again!"

"Give him a dollar for paper," Mr. Hakon panted in ear. "They always make change nickels. The *Journal* thinks everything. Then try to grab phone booth."

Swept along in the tidal wave dazedly watched Mrs. Biderh lead cut down by a young serge making a stretch drive from back of the pack. Out of the cor of my eye, I saw her catch him the wire, tripping him neatly w the red umbrella.

I caught up with David as I t a seamless nylon. He had just b nosed out of a phone booth by Fuller Brush man. "Let's home," I said pleadingly, "a get in condition."

THAT was the first night. By seventh we were members good standing of the homeless We still had no apartment, David could beat out Mrs. Biderh five nights out of six.

It was on the eighth night t David got his idea the size o 150-watt bulb: The Herrma would get the 11 P.M. edition 10:30.

The scheme was machiavellia simple. David would enter the room as an office boy. Hadn't both seen *The Front Page* th times? The only costume the r required was shirtsleeves, s penders, and a toothpick, and line, which we practiced for t nights running:

"Gimme the galleys of the r off classified section," we told e other laconically through toothpicks. "The boss wants upstairs."

Monday night we got down the *Journal* early and located City Room. David handed me coat, I rolled up his shirt slee handed him his toothpicks, kissed him good-bye with fervor of a woman sending her up to the front.

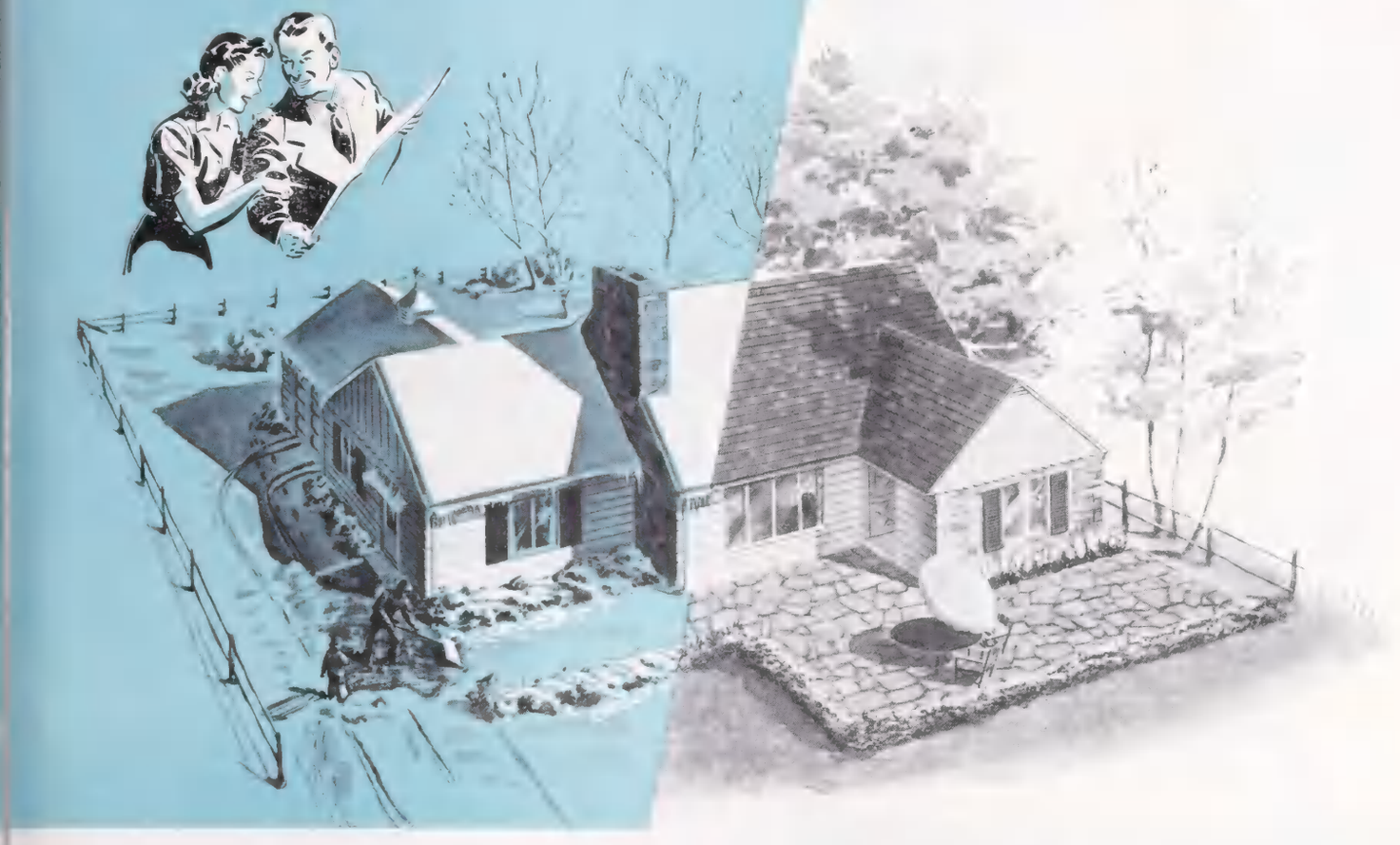
Then I waited in the shadows the elevator. Three minutes, se minutes, fifteen minutes. . . .

My warrior appeared, slee rolled down, toothpickless, emp handed. Behind him hovered a f burly type which the movies h taught me to cast as a boun He was chewing determinedly a toothpick.

I had a sudden premonition t it was David's toothpick.

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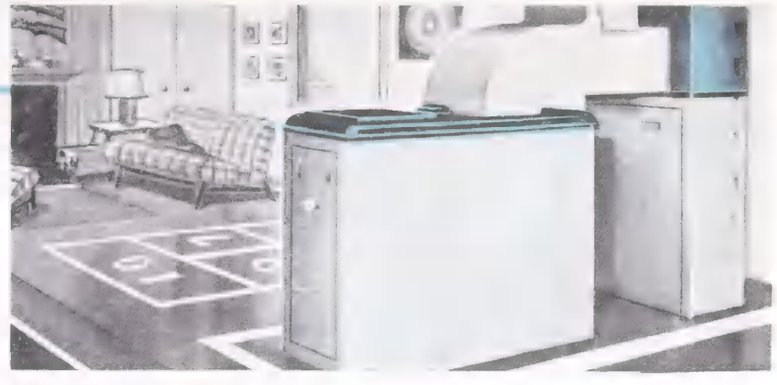
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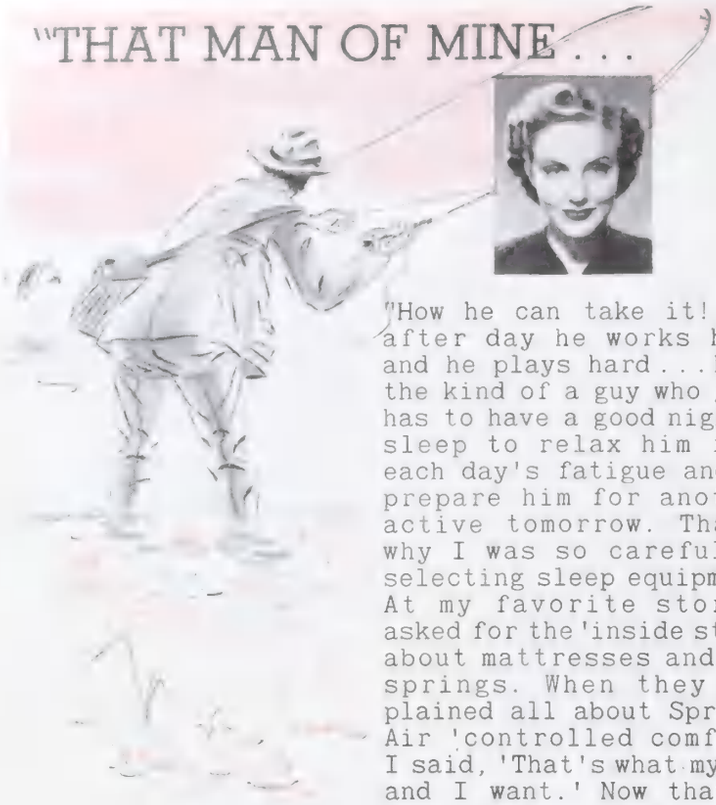
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"Meet Mr. Higgins," David said wanly. "Mr. Higgins, meet the missus."

"Pleasetameetcha," said Mr. Higgins, doffing his toothpick.

"Likewise," I said. All my life I have been dying to say likewise. This seemed like the ideal moment.

"Mr. Higgins is on special duty at the *Journal*," David said. "His assignment is to apprehend all characters in search of galleys of the classified section. He gets paid per victim."

"Pretty slow night," Mr. Higgins said sadly. "You're only No. 3."

"Glad I helped you out," David said glumly.

Mr. Higgins suddenly unbent. "It's a tough racket you're in," he said gently. "I know. Didn't talk to my wife's family for 20 years, and then I hadda swallow my avoision to them last year for a roof over our head. Luckily, the old man died six months later."

"Isn't that a little drastic?" I said nervously.

"He wasn't doing nobody any good," Mr. Higgins said inexorably. "This way he gave three small children a home. Anyway, he died in his sleep. Better than moider, which it wudda come to soonern-later. I figure people gotta lead a life of their own."

I suddenly felt a great wave of affection for Mr. Higgins, even if he had taken my husband's toothpick. "You're darned right, Mr. Higgins," I said. "Most people don't seem to understand at

Mr. Higgins took a swift around the room and then down to me. "I swiped a q look at one of them galleys. The a three-room apartment at Riverside. Ask for E. Cotton, 6

He straightened up and put toothpick back in his upper molar. "An' I'm tellin' yuh for last time: Keep outa the city ro he boomed at David, brandis his outsize index finger. A with a green eyeshade came al side of us. "Or next time the be real trouble. Hiya, Mr. rance, sir." Mr. Higgins genially, "Just landed another o

As we got into the elevato delivered us a large wink.

THE fact that 271 was perfect cept that its owner required we take over his horse for an e $750, did not destroy our faith Mr. Higgins. Mr. Higgins is the closest I have come to belie in Santa Claus since Father stuck coming down the chim when I was five.

I was telling Mrs. Bide about L'Affaire Higgins when were back at the same old st the following night. Mrs. Bide waggled her umbrella at me express total accord.

"Just like I always say, de she said, rapping me affectiona on the shoulder. "Even if I eve find an apartment, I'm certa not going to stop doing this. W I never met such interesting pe when I used to sit home all d

HOW TO DEVELOP A TASTE FOR MUSIC

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presumptuous enough to believe that I could walk into any home and tell you whether it was done with good taste or with bad taste. I know my own taste is good taste.

What has made this change? I have often asked myself this question. Though the flippant answer that as one gets on in years one ought to acquire a little wisdom is ready enough at hand, it is not a question readily to be answered. Yet the answer is important for all of us who don't want to remain satisfied with brass. Here is my explanation.

I think there are two requisites for the development of taste. One is interest, the other is experience. Both of us became interested in the way people live and what they put into their rooms. And that interest opened our eyes. Then we were fortunate enough to have the experience of seeing well-appoi homes and beautiful rooms. could learn by examples, once had the desire. Briefly, first wanted to see, then we did see

Development of taste in m follows, I think, that same Perhaps the results of that de opment are not quite so tangibl they are in furniture, because results show up in yourself and not in the living room. the results are real and mea able, nevertheless.

Interest and experience! A interest, it is the first requirem of course. If you hear a comp tion without any real interest you are dragged to a concert in a while and without any if you have listened to music cause you thought it was smart, cultural or the educational th

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to do (and I do not for a minute suppose that you have done so), then there is no reason why your taste either for or in music should develop. You must first decide for yourself whether music holds anything that would truly interest you. All of us cannot be interested in everything. It is up to you to find out what music can mean to you. All I or anybody else can tell you is the fact that for thousands of us music is one of the most emotionally satisfying pleasures that life can bring. We can add the assurance that this pleasure is to be had without any technical knowledge whatever: that it is to be had by people who cannot read a score, who have never learned how to play the piano, who have not read any books on music appreciation.

The moment you decide that your interest in music is strong enough to do just one thing—that is to make you honestly curious about it—that moment you are on the way. From that time on the development of taste comes through experience. And experience simply means listening to music.

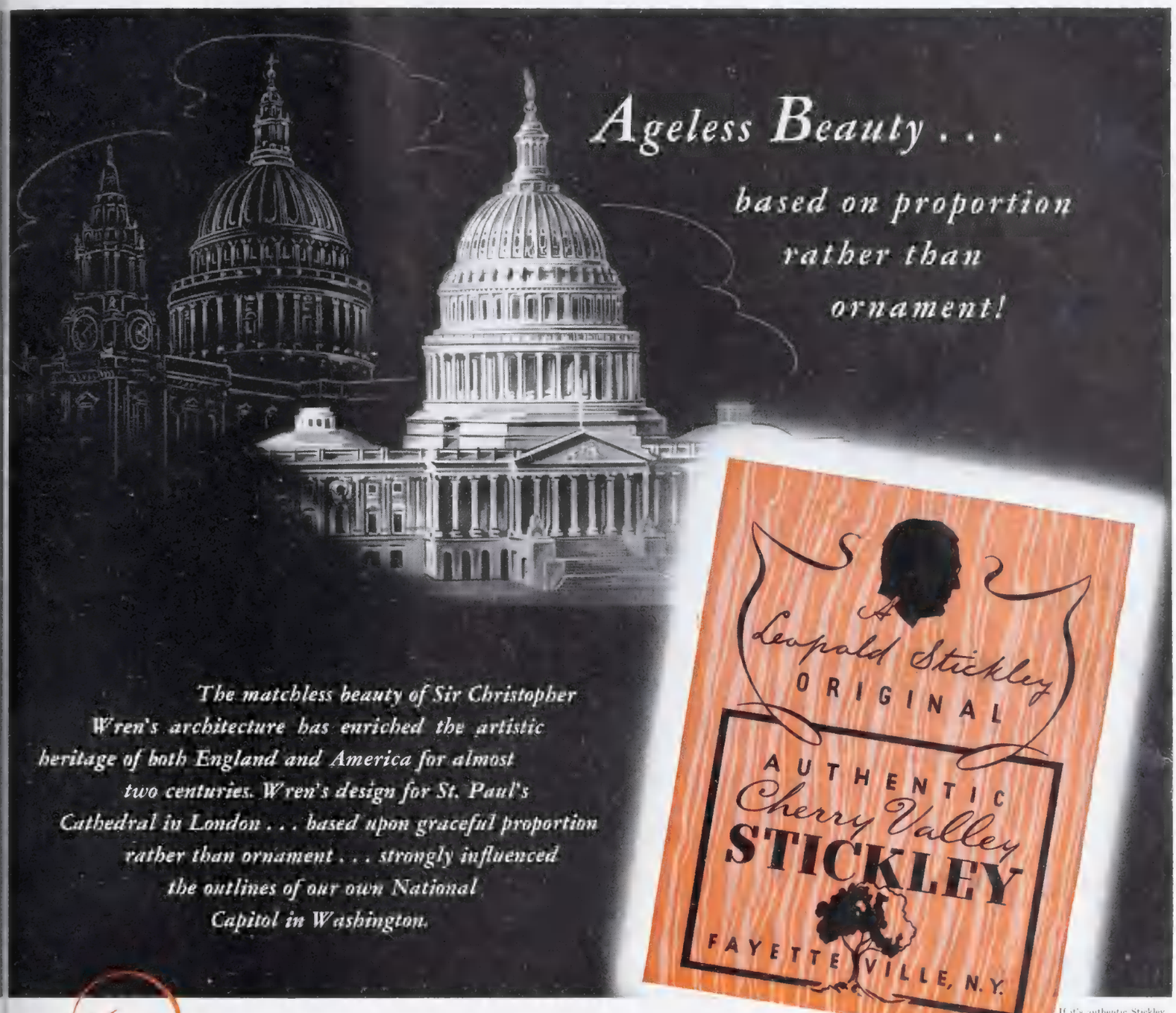
All this is not quite as ABC as it might sound. For listening to music is a bit of an acquired art. First of all you have to divest yourself of the notion that there is certain music you *will* like (because it is "light" music) and there is other music you won't like (because it is "heavy" or "high-brow" music). The great men of music—the greatest even, a Bach, a Beethoven, or a Mozart—wrote not for the musically initiated, not for the scholar, not even for the professional musician, but for you, the layman. All music belongs to all people. There exists no division of music from which you are shut out by lack of technical knowledge. Certainly, there are all kinds of music: some of it is more flashy, more dramatic, more show-off in quality, and it is perfectly possible that you will at first like this kind better. But maybe not. You can't tell, and the only way to find out is to approach all music without fear or favor.

No pre-conceived notions, that is the best advice that can be offered to the incipient music-lover. In this connection, I should like to quote what an extremely good music critic, Oscar Thompson, once wrote in a book called *How to Understand Music*. "The man who 'knows what he likes' is too often the man who has given himself little opportunity either to know or to like. In trying to listen to an opera air as if it were 'Mother Machree' or 'Silver Threads a the Gold,' he misses the effe a melody quite as direct and spontaneous; misses, becaus air does not correspond t conception of what constitut tune. Or he flounders throu symphony, waiting for the rhythms that never come, the he misses the pulsation an élan of other rhythms quit positive and vigorous. And has learned to listen to ope symphony, he is balked by th song, as represented by a Lied or a Duparc chanson, a string quartet. Why? Be the one has not the high and the excitement of the aria and the other no such tuosities of sound and no emotional climaxes as, for exa the Tchaikovsky 'Pathetic' phony. This does not mean he is lacking in musicality. It very well be that he only verted from intelligent and re sive listening by pre-establ notions as to *what he wants to* and, therefore, as to what the he hears *ought* to sound like *ought* to be."

Do not be afraid of having taste in music. Don't think you need books which ex music to you or that you advice from professionals in to develop your taste. What need is to come into direct co with good music often en Give music enough of a ch and the development of your will become a natural develop as automatic as breathing. A or a woman who has really lis often enough to a Beethoven phony cannot go back to a "M Machree" or a "Silver Th among the Cold" and find complete satisfaction. That seems to me, is as impossibl being happy with ugly furn once you have lived with goo

I say that the developme taste is automatic, that it c with listening, and that the nothing you need to do abo except to hear enough good m I say that to elevate one's it is not necessary to read elev books on musical aesthetic know musical form and struc

I do not deny that such k edge contributes to the enjoy of music and to the develop of taste. I am sure it does. the real thing must come music itself. And before you hear music—*really* hear it— must want to hear it. Once have the interest you'll hav trouble getting experience wh much good music is around u



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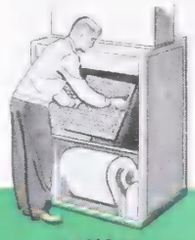


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I have a relative who would put a slipcover on the bathtub. An approach to her living room is like walking down the aisle of the drapery department—chintz to the left, floral prints to the right, and flounces everywhere. There should be a limit to things like that.

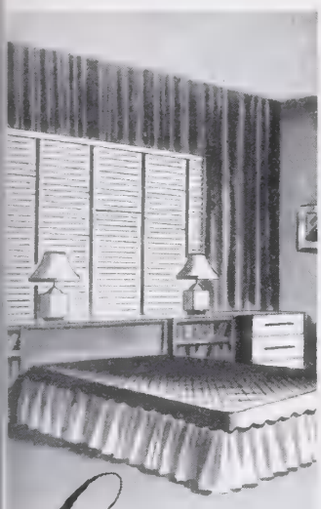
Two weeks in a house of Spanish architecture gave me the same feeling. It was all there: benches, trestle table, pottery dishes and jugs, serapes on the wall, and pictures of parrots. Nothing was spared. Now I don't mind wearing a hibiscus behind my ear and fourteen clanking bracelets for a while, but a woman in her life plays many roles. Suppose the lady of the house suddenly desired a pink and white bedroom. No sir, it would have to be Spanish. You can't play Little Eva with a backdrop like that; you have to stick to Carmen.

I wonder sometimes about The Early American Home. Nothing but four-poster beds, rag rugs, framed mottoes and prints on the walls, rocking chairs, a churn in the kitchen, pewter, and a spinning wheel by the hearth. What place would a zombie glass have in a house like that! Eventually that spinning wheel would take on the aspects of good fire wood, and th owners would never want to see a oil lamp again.

The ranch house must be rugge Bare walls, beamed ceilings, th gun racks above the mantel, la terns and wagon wheels. Fine! B you can't stride around in leath boots crying, "To horse, men, th posse is coming," or singing "Hom on the Range" all your life. It ge monotonous.

There must be a middle cours for houses (there is for everythin else, I've been told emphatical on various occasions), and I don mean the pot-pourri effect tha leaves you wanting to go out-doo and shake the clutter from yo feet. I have in mind somethin similar to the interior of a hou described in a story I once rea The house was in China, and if th Chinese can do it, why can't we

One room in particular w something to dream about. It w a long cool room with walls so i offensive that you almost forg they were there. The room w furnished exclusively with a go geous big table and several chai that accommodated the body wit out throwing the owner flat on h back or forcing him to sit rigi



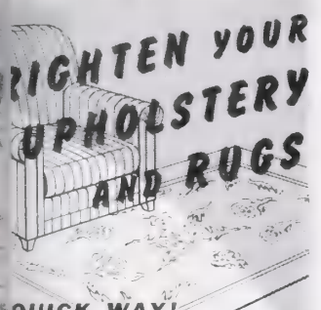
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A room like that is as basic as that good black dress the fashion experts are always talking about. You can't go wrong. And I am not unmindful of the housekeeping involved. Swish, swish with the broom and you're through! Of course, that's the way I do it anyhow, but in this house I'd have more to show for my effort. Freed of the passive resistance of sofas and rugs and full accouterments of bric-a-brac, I could do a lot with a mop and dust cloth.

AN interior like the one I am planning would spare me the services of my friends who come forth with suggestions like, "You really need a mirror on that wall," and "I have two beer mugs that would look stunning in your dining room." They will be able to see at a glance that anything they offer me will have to be as noble as a marble statue. With the time I formerly spent in pondering what changes to make next in my décor, I might take up a hobby or the profound study of the philosophers. At least my nerves would stop jumping around and stay in their proper place.



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BAD NEWS for BUGS




By Louis Pyenson




DRAWINGS BY

Before the advent of DDT in 1944, gardeners went placidly about their business of pest control with such standard insecticides as lead arsenate, nicotine sulfate, and rotenone. Those pests that were not adequately disposed of by these materials were tolerated during their stay as something inevitable.

DDT actually started a tidal wave in the insect control field. It aroused hopes that at last we had the ideal insecticide—one that would destroy all insects and yet not be harmful to plants and animals. However, its amazing effectiveness against some insects was fully equaled by its total harmlessness to others. This disappointing behavior only emphasized what scientists have pointed out again and again—the ideal insecticide is still far from being a reality, and there may never be one.

Probably the greatest benefit derived from the avalanche of publicity that DDT received is that the public has become more insect- and insect-control-conscious than ever before in history. Gardeners are no longer content with the "live and let live" principle where it concerns their insect pests. There is a definite eagerness to learn about and try out new insecticides as soon as they become available.

The scientists have not disappointed the public. Since the short time that DDT has become available, several rivals for its fame and powers have appeared. Gardeners, however, must be patient. Some of these insecticides are about to be put on the market; others are still in the early experimental stages and must be investigated further before release.

One outstanding fact has been brought out from testing DDT and these other new insecticides. They show definite specificity to i that is, each destroys only insect species and is more harmless to others. This mea gardeners will have to be with different remedies for pests instead of the drea cure-alls; and that they wi to become acquainted w ever increasing number o dies. Moreover, gardener realize that to obtain sati results with insecticides th not only have the proper cide, but must also apply it ing instructions and at th time.

DDT (dichloro-diphenyl-t oethane) was widely used with none of the dire resu dicted by some organizati fact, its safety to man a mals has been shown to b greater than that of lead a which has been extensive for more than 40 years. Exp stations are becoming le servative about it, and as it will be recommended w proper precautions this for definite fruit, vegetabl mental, and lawn pests.

ONE of the main new u DDT is for the treatment iolus corms for thrips bef during winter storage. Th are dusted with a three per cent DDT powder, pl bags or boxes, and kept temperature for about one before permanent winter

Because of DDT's ren effectiveness against some scientists began an investig closely related compounds insecticidal efficiency. A fe promise against definite species.

DDD (dichloro-diphenyl oethane) as a three per c

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DDT isn't the only chemical to control 'em. ou'll find several other powerful new in- secticides on the market, or due to arrive

The New Insecticides and Their Uses

NAME	TRADE NAMES	PESTS CONTROLLED	AVAILABLE 1947
dichloro- yl-trichloro- ane)	Gesarol—DDT Niatox Crop Spray Multicide 50 W.A. WDB—50 DDT—SBP Deenate DDT D—50 Wettable Powder and many others	Most leaf-eating caterpillars and beetles Thrips, white flies Most leaf miners Leaf hoppers Grubs and chinch bugs Sod webworms Coddling moths Oriental fruit moths Cabbage worms Corn borers Flea beetles	Yes
e hexachlo- r hexachloro- exane	Gammexane Lexone-50 BHC	Japanese beetles Plum curculio Aphids Wireworms Grasshoppers Onion maggots	Yes
1068	1068 Octa-Klor	Aphids, ants Squash bugs Japanese beetles Corn earworms Tarnished plant bugs Potato beetle, grasshoppers	Yes
thyl osphate	Vapotone Insect Spray Het	Aphids Red spider mites	Yes
es 3956	Toxaphene	Coddling moths Corn borers Mexican bean beetles	For trial only
	Ryanex	European corn borers	Yes
lla	Sabadilla Sabacide Chinch-Tox	Plant bugs Chinch bugs Harlequin bugs	Yes
zene	Azofume-70 ABZ Fumigant Hypozene Mite-Y-Fume	Red spider mites in greenhouses	Yes
selenate	P-40	Mites, thrips, aphids midges Leaf nematodes on ornamental herbaceous plants	Yes



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in tests in New Jersey was better than DDT and lead arsenate for the tough corn earworm. A similar closely related DDT compound known as "themethoxy analog of DDT" has been found to have distinct insecticidal value against many pests. It may prove to be all the more outstanding because of its reported greater safety to higher animals than DDT. In addition, it is effective on the Mexican bean beetle against which DDT is a failure. Still in the experimental stage, DDD and MDT (methoxy analog of DDT) may not be available to the public at all this year.

ONE of the new insecticides which is reported to have striking insect-killing powers similar to DDT was discovered in Great Britain about the same time that DDT claimed public attention. It is variously known as Gammexane, hexachlorocyclohexane and benzene hexachloride. It will be one of the first of the new insecticides to be recommended this summer in a limited way. In common with DDT and many of the new compounds, it kills some insect species when they eat it or when it contacts their bodies or legs, weeks after being applied. In addition it is reported to have a fumigating action. The lethal portion of this insecticide was found to be five to ten times more effective against many household insects than any other insecticide to date. In addition it is relatively nontoxic to warm blooded animals. One of its chief drawbacks is its strong and persistent musty odor.

Gammexane is effective on some pests that are resistant to DDT and other insecticides. It shows promise for use against the resistant plum curculio on peaches and apples, and is the equal of DDT for Japanese beetle control. The kill of the beetles is not higher, but they drop to the ground faster.

Its outstanding success to date has been in the control of wireworms—slim, orange, root- and tuber-attacking insects for which a cheap and easily applied control was previously wanting. Both New Jersey and Connecticut report success in its use on wire-worms, when it was applied as a dust broadcast over the fields.

There is some indication that it may be successfully applied in combination with fertilizers. As little as two pounds of the crude chemical per acre gave excellent control. That amount transposed to apply to small gardens is to approximately four and pounds of a one per cent d about 1 pound of the five p dust per 1,000 square feet face. The garden is prepar planting, the dust is spread and mixed with the upper six inches of soil. Plantin be done without delay.

Another new organic c showing considerable prom a chlorinated hydrocarbon as Velsicol 1068, the numb 6, and 8 standing for the n of carbon, hydrogen, and c atoms respectively in the fo Its effect on warm-blooded mals is comparable to DDT the other compounds men its residue has contact as w stomach-poison effect on s insect species. It also has re action on insects. It may be able as an oil solution, soil sion, dust, or dispersible li

On some animal and hou pests 1068 was reported three to ten times more than DDT. As a plant spra effective on aphids, Japanes tles, tarnished plant bugs, hoppers, and the corn ea It is much more deadly to beetles, squash bugs, ant roaches than DDT.

Still another long-named pound, hexaethyl tetrapho showing considerable possi was first used in Germany the war. It is especially de red spider mites and aphi its use may be limited becau somewhat disagreeable to and highly toxic to higher a However, its lethal properti appear rapidly after appl This material assumes mu portance because of the s of nicotine for aphid contro

ONE of the latest and mos ising organic chemicals to in the news because of its insecticidal power is a chlo bicyclic terpene known a cules 3956. Toxaphene is the trade names under w will appear. Probably it available only to qualified gators this season. Like D gives a slow knock-down a and has persistent spray r It may be available as an o tion, emulsion, wettable or dust.

In tests in Delaware it wa to be highly destructive dling moth, and equal or s to rotenone for the Mexica beetle. In many respects it erties and performance are to DDT. It was found to h

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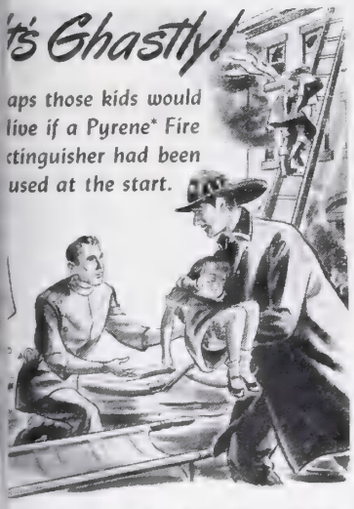
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deadly over a longer period of time against body lice than DDT. and in laboratory tests was found to be very effective against young European corn borer larvae.

A few of the newer insecticides that are already on the market should be mentioned to bring gardeners up to date. These include the two plane-derived materials. Ryanex (from a tropical shrub of the genus *Ryania*) and Sabadilla (from the ground seeds of a lily-like tropical plant). The former material is as effective as DDT for the European corn borer: while Sabadilla is an effective dust on various plant bugs such as harlequin bugs, squash bugs, and chinch bugs. Ryanex is on the market now, and a trade product of Sabadilla, available only for research at this writing, is scheduled to appear soon.

Two chemicals of recent origin have had considerable success in the control of red spider mites in greenhouses. One of them, azobenzene, is available under such names as Azofume-70, ABZ Fumigant, Hypozene, and Mite-Y-Fume. These materials are vaporized on hot plates or in paste form on hot steam pipes. The fumes evolved have the power to destroy all stages of the red spider mites including the eggs. A dose of one pound per 40,000 cubic feet of space for six hours is sufficient to give a 99 per cent kill of the red spider mites.

WHAT appears to be the first step in the successful control of insects by internal plant therapy was discovered at Cornell University about two years ago. It was found that soft stemmed plants can take up through their roots minute amounts of the poison sodium selenate without harm to themselves, but with amazing control of red spider mites, thrips, aphids, certain midges, and leaf nematodes for about three months after application.

The sodium selenate is applied to the soil at the rate of ¼ gram per square foot, either as a solution in water or as pellets mixed with superphosphate (sold under the trade name P-40). This method is useful only on herbaceous ornamental plants indoors or outdoors, as sodium selenate is very poisonous to higher animals. However, the time may not be far off when non-poisonous chemicals are found which can be applied to the soil and will render plants immune to insect attack. Then surely one of the most irksome tasks of the gardener will have become one step nearer solution.



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not possess the same number of them, and that in some tongues there are three times as many papillae as in others. This situation will explain why of two guests sitting at the same table one should be deliciously affected, whereas the other seems to eat with constraint. It is because the latter has a tongue imperfectly provided with papillae; and that the empire of taste has also its blind and its deaf people."

We have no axe to grind with the scores of persons who can't indulge in various foods because of allergies, or those who have found by bitter experience that they can't eat certain foods, or even those whose dislikes are reasonable.



Our protest is against the multitudes who reject some food or dish *without even trying it once*. You've probably inwardly writhed many a time to hear a friend flatly assert, "No. I never have tasted it, and I don't intend to." Unfortunately most of us have been guilty of making the same unreasonable remark. I know I have. Why, I can remember as a young girl going to party after party and carefully picking out the mushrooms in the Chicken à la King, without once tasting one. I just didn't like the looks of them. Then one day years later broiled stuffed mushrooms were served to me, and I could not escape eating them without attracting attention. To my great surprise I found that I liked them, and I've been eating them frequently ever since in a valiant attempt somehow to make up for lost time.

Many of our food taboos are as groundless as this: many can be laid at the door of our parents. Because Papa and Mamma made a face over something, thinking we wouldn't notice (or maybe they didn't even try to hide their dislikes), our tastes were conditioned to theirs.

But regardless of how we acquired our food taboos, let's haul them out, check them over, and eliminate those which are baseless and keeping us from pleasurable food experiences.

Food taboos can say ma
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intolerance which each of u
to shed. Let's try to give eve
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blind to the possibilities
new. You don't have to
the tried and true. There's
for both in your experience,
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and so enrich your everyday

The menu we have dev
will give you a splendid
tunity to see how open-mind
are. It begins with an iced
juice soup. Stifle, at the
that inclination to say, "Fruit
Sounds strange! And ma
orange juice! Why, that's
fast food."

If you have never had a
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o say that our dinner pattern he only good one? Let's refuse e such creatures of habit that can't hop out of the groove asionally and enjoy an entirely experience.

Iost negative food attitudes are mental hurdles which we our- es set up. Once you've talked rself over the hurdle that this ée is different from the usual ern, you will be delighted with taste and texture of the Ori- il Rice. All the ingredients are iliar good ones: dry, slightly nchy rice, fried ham bits, plump ins, slivered almonds. Our only d of warning: The rice must dry and crunchy for this dish esemble its North China coun- art, so follow cooking direc- s closely. When this dish is ed in North China, we are told fresh bright persimmons al- s accompany it. But if you can't te them, a ring of tiny red atoes will give nice color, if the unusual taste.

ccessories are vital to this rice , since it is not in itself highly oned. We like to have at least e: something hard and salted, salted peanuts; something ly spiced, like a good chutney; ething crisp, like celery stuffed a paste of mashed sardines, lemon juice, and mayonnaise.

The friend who introduced us to the Oriental Rice introduced us also to the Albanian Salad. Although their origins are pretty remote from one another, they might have been born together—they make such excellent companions.

The Albanian Salad is nothing but shredded raw young spinach leaves, crisp bacon, a sharp French dressing, a little bacon fat, and added vinegar, if your dressing is on the bland side. But it is a salad you'll want to add to your repertoire, to use whenever you need a green salad.

Follow through on your crunchy texture with simple melba toast buttered and heated in the oven. Don't serve a soft roll with this particular menu. For it would be as inappropriate as peasant pottery at a formal banquet.

A slightly acid drink is a happy choice for a beverage. Hot Chinese tea with lemon, or if you aren't using the cold soup first, you can serve a long, cool, effervescing fruit drink.

You could round out this unusual meal successfully with any fresh fruit dessert. We compromised with a frozen pudding flavored with sherry and studded with

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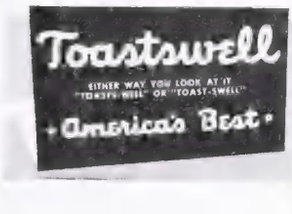


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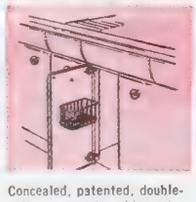
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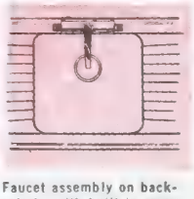
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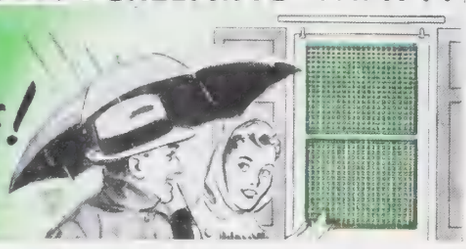
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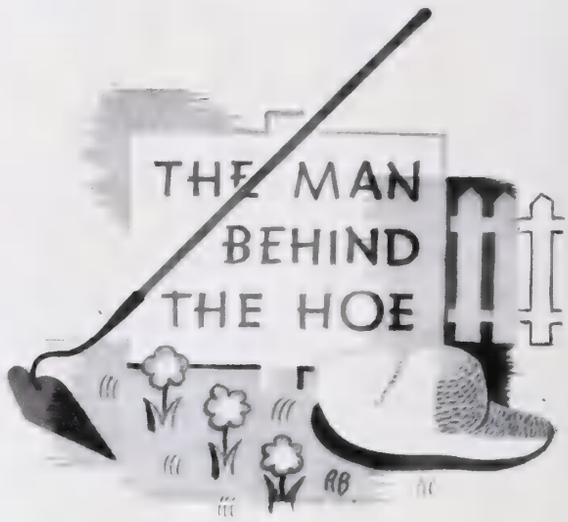
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To get the sample, take vertical soil slices, the full depth of a spade blade, toward each corner and one about the center of the plot. Mix these well together. In shipping a sample to the Experiment Station, parcel up about a half pint, making sure your name and address are on the outside, in addition to the address of the Station. At the same time write a letter requesting the report and mentioning anything which will have a bearing on the matter, such as unusual plants you propose to grow or difficulties you have experienced with the soil.

When the report comes, it will probably give you among the the pH of the soil and recomr any treatment that may be d able. The pH scale is used measure of acidity or alkali A soil reaction of pH 7 is eq lent to neutral, with the lowe ures indicating acidity and higher figures pointing to kalinity.

Most plants thrive best in slight acidity. Few can tol alkalinity beyond a trace, and are usually those developed nature for limestone areas an like. For this the common co tive is either aluminum sulp or land sulphur, while lime is to cancel acidity. But lime much more than this: it sup the calcium which is essentia healthy plants and animals, a has an important bearing on s factory soil structure.

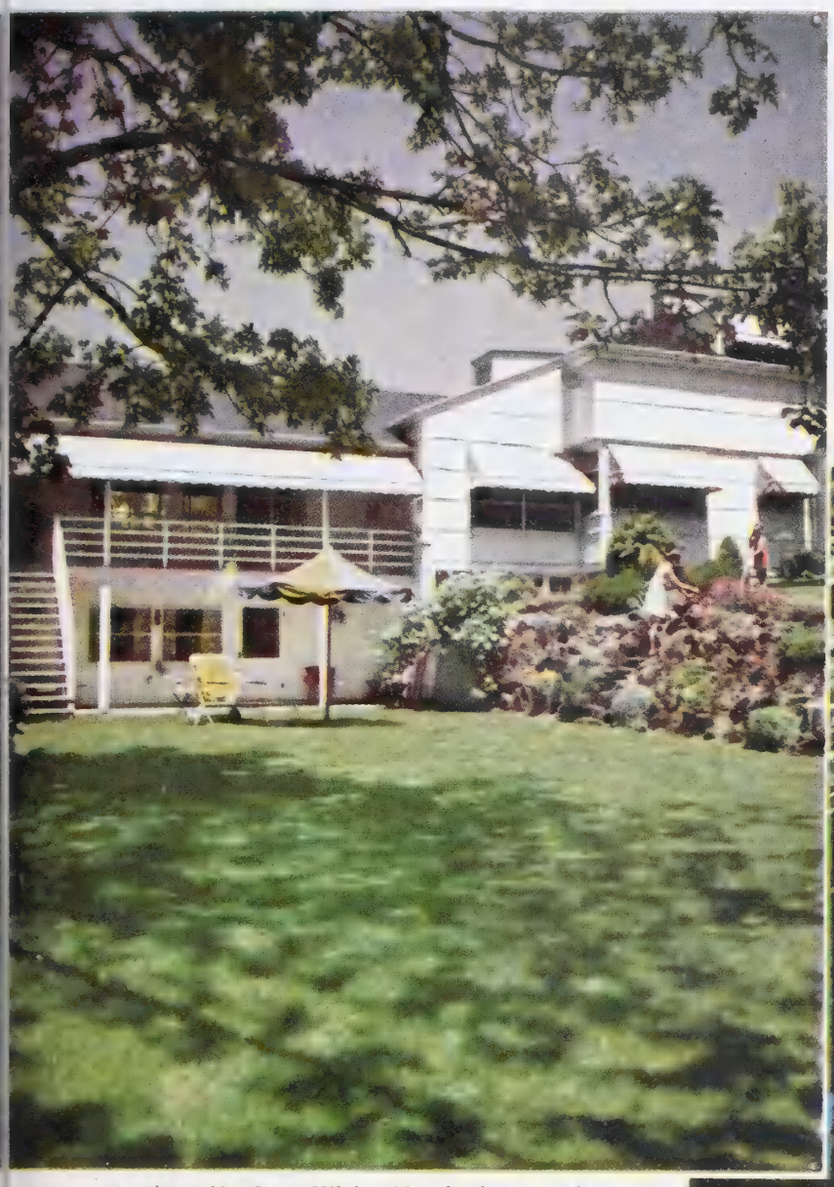
Ground limestone is the re mended form of lime for ge garden use, but it is very s acting. Hydrated lime—the w powder—is quicker and the am to apply will be indicated by test. Let an interval of 10 t days elapse between adding and commercial fertilizer, o wise certain insoluble compo are likely to be formed, depri

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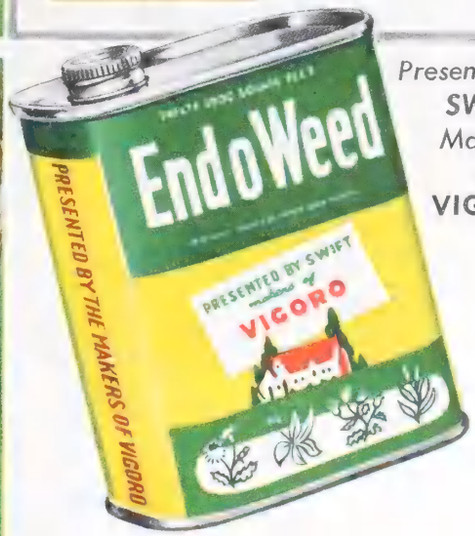
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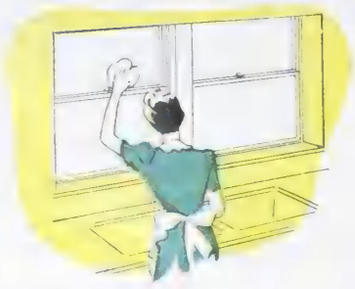
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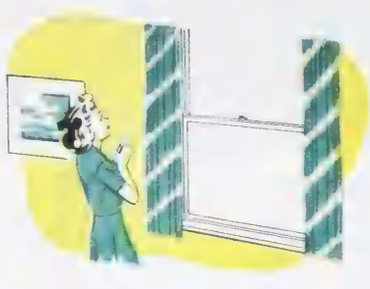
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Iced Orange Soup

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spoons butter
argarine
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starch
spoons sugar
orange juice
lemon juice
¼ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon grated orange rind
1 egg white, beaten stiff
1 tablespoon brown sugar
½ teaspoon powdered cinnamon
3 very thin slices of orange, halved
Sprigs of mint leaves

ld water with stick cinnamon
loves. Strain water gradually
butter, melted and blended
ornstarch. Cook until thick-
and clear. Add sugar, fruit
, salt, and orange rind. Cook
ugar is dissolved. Chill until
cold. Serve topped with a
ul of meringue made of egg
and brown sugar. Dust cin-
on meringue. Garnish with
thin half slices of orange
sprig of mint leaf. If pos-
serve in crystal bowls, so
olor can be seen. Makes 6
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Oriental Rice

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1 cup seedless raisins
¼ cup roasted almonds, sliced

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until water has been ab-
(about 25 minutes). Shake
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more water, if necessary,
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should not be cooked to a
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unchy.

le rice is cooking, fry ham
heavy skillet with small
t of fat, so ham will not
(If ham has fat, do not re-
as liquid is needed later to
n rice.) Cook ham until
When rice is ready, add to
n skillet. Mix well. There
be enough fat in pan to
ice from being too dry. Add
and nuts. Raisins will
up from heat and moisture.
seems too dry, add about
oon or so of melted bacon
rve on silver platter sur-
d by small ripe red toma-
lakes 4 servings.

Accompany this dish with chutney, salted peanuts, and celery stuffed with sardine paste. This latter substitutes adequately for the traditional Bombay Duck, served with curry and similar rice dishes.

Albanian Salad

1 lb. fresh young spinach
4 slices bacon
1 tablespoon melted bacon fat
1 teaspoon malt vinegar
¼ cup French dressing (about)
⅛ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Wash spinach thoroughly. A first washing in warm water helps to remove sand. Follow this by at least three dunkings in cold water. Use only the spinach leaves; discard stems. Dry spinach well with paper towels, and crisp in refrigerator at least one-half hour. Meanwhile fry four slices of bacon slowly (more if you have them, as the more bacon, the better), pouring off grease as it collects. When bacon is partially cooked, cut in small pieces. Continue cooking until crisp. When spinach is crisp, shred in thin slices. Add diced bacon, a tablespoon of melted bacon fat, vinegar, black pepper, and enough French dressing to coat the spinach well, but not make it wet! (A quarter of a cup may be too much, so use your own judgment. It all depends on your spinach.) Toss well and allow to marinate in refrigerator about 20 minutes before serving. Taste and add additional seasonings, if necessary. The amount of seasoning is governed by the spiciness of your French dressing. The dressing should be on the sharp side; so add more vinegar, if the salad hasn't enough bite. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Frozen Zabaione

4 egg yolks
1 cup sherry
½ cup sugar
1 pint cream, whipped
¼ lb. candied cherries, chopped
¼ lb. candied pineapple, chopped
½ cup chopped nuts

Put egg yolks, sherry, and sugar in top of double boiler. (Water in bottom of double boiler should be simmering, so that eggs do not scramble.) Cook until mixture is thick, beating with a rotary beater. When thick, remove from heat and cool quickly. (We put the top of the double boiler in a large pan of ice water.) Add whipped cream, fruit, and nuts. (Evaporated milk can be substituted for cream. Use a 13 oz. can.) Chill 24 hours in refrigerator before whipping. Pour into refrigerator trays and freeze, stirring several times. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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6 Points To Remember IN RENOVATING YOUR LAWN

BY GARDNER EWING

DOUBTLESS you are glad to agree with the experts that spring is no time to make a new lawn. And, if you take the advice of one well-known seed firm, you may gleefully conclude that all your lawn needs anyway is a little renovating.

"If 40 to 50 per cent of your lawn is of turf grasses, you would be foolish to spend time and money tearing it up and starting from scratch," is the advice. "You will find that establishing a new lawn is far harder than improving an old one with its well-knit sod."

Who could help but find 40 to 50 per cent of turf grasses in his lawn with that advice and at such a busy season of the year! But, even so, your lawn probably does need some renovating or patching, especially if you neglected it last fall. Renovating should be more than just raking the surface and sprinkling grass seed. This is waste motion, because the seed or young plants would hardly find roothold in the hard-packed soil beneath. To do a good job, you must keep in mind that grass, like any other plant, needs the right conditions to germinate and available food on which to grow.

And how will you go about doing a good job quickly? Here are six points to keep in mind:

1. Start right away. Grass requires cool weather in which germinate and make a good s Therefore, phone or call at seed or hardware store immed ly and buy four pounds of the seed for every 1,000 square fe lawn area. (If you are seedin machine, two-and-one-half po will do.) If your season's supp fertilizer hasn't arrived yet, better buy the equivalent of 1 15 pounds of a balanced plant per 1,000 square feet.

2. Remove weeds. If you large bare patches to replant, can remove weeds as you dig. if your grass is just generally it is best to weed in adva either the tedious, hand-pu way, or with a 2,4-D spray, fully following directions on package. But, you may say, tim short and I must get my see Then, according to one expert may delay treating your with 2,4-D until a week or after your new seed sprouts. In case you may have to give a low-up treatment during the summer months when hot-wea weeds begin to arrive.

Regardless of when you with 2,4-D, you will want to out dead crabgrass before so grass seed. Unfortunately you

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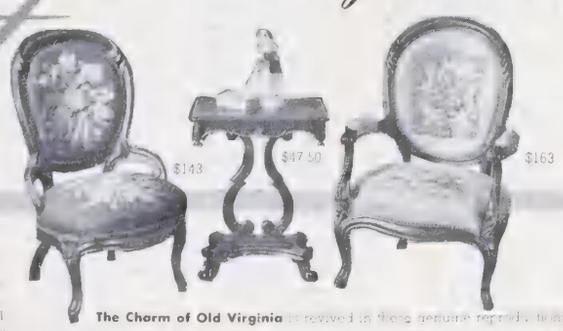
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How to Care for Wool Blankets

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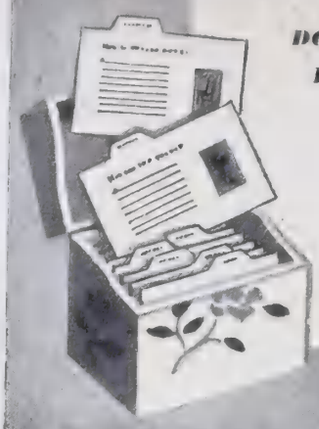
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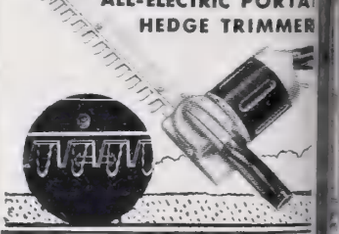
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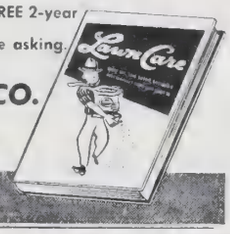
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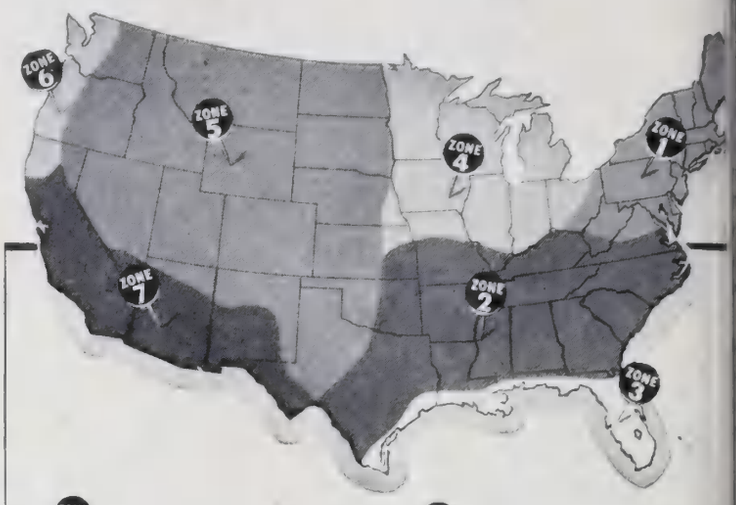
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Weeds are a universal problem in the gardener's life. We in the Nort east are looking forward eagerly to a conference on "Control Plants Harmful and Annoying to Man" at the Brooklyn Botanic Gard on April 16, jointly sponsored by the Garden and by the Department Health of the City of New York. Representatives of garden clubs a horticultural organizations from New York, New Jersey and Connec cut are invited to attend talks and discussion groups. The morni session will take up methods of weed control; the afternoon will devoted to allergy-causing plants and their control by community grou

Conferences on weeds have been held in other parts of the count also. Thirteen North Central states convened for their second we conference a few months ago, and eleven of the Pacific Slope stat also got together to discuss this problem last year.

And, speaking of lawn troubles, these are not so likely to take ov in the first place if we plant grasses that are tough and well adapt to climate and soil. A new strain of Creeping Red fescue, developed the U. S. Department of Agriculture and now available under the nam of Ill-a-hee, is very resistant to the fungus disease called anthracno that wiped out many of the other fescues last summer. The new stra is especially useful on the acid soils of the Northeast.

Our 1946 garden diary notes that around New York City the st magnolia, *Azalea mucronulata* and forsythias were in full bloom befo

first of April. However, 1947 did it one better: several snowdrops a forsythia were in bloom (with a couple of flowers) before the of February, and a pair of thrushes were hopping around in the nglike sunshine. They were in for a bit of a surprise, of course. n the season went into reverse.

ulbous irises, now back in circulation after the war, are making a show in southern gardens. As permanent in the south as any ous material, they are perfectly hardy in all but the coldest moun- sections.

couple more notes on the popular camellia, still blooming this th in parts of the South and Northwest. Gardeners in the Piedmont ion of the southern states who coddle cape jasmines could just as have camellias, too, writes our southern contributor. The bushes not as tender as the jasmines and will stand even an occasional zero perature. However, you may have to protect the fat flower buds ng December and January, so make it a point to cover these as as jasmines on cold nights.

n the Northwest, some of the most popular camellia varieties are huge semi-double Grandiflora Rosea and the single white Amabilis golden stamens. The old-fashioned Pink Perfection drops many s buds, but still bears enough to make it well worth growing here ou are enthusiastic over this small perfect pink double.

he following item on continuous bloom comes, naturally, from fornia: "I remember," says our correspondent, "once talking to a up of gardeners who were proud of a blue tropical water lily which been in constant bloom for three years in a greenhouse. I mentioned fact to Hugh Evans, the eminent plant introducer and nurseryman os Angeles. He looked at me a bit disdainfully and remarked that had an Epidendrum obrienianum (a type of orchid) in his garden ch was constantly in bloom for 20 years without a pause for cold eat. One large plant carried as many as 100 spikes of bloom at one e." Can anyone beat this?

ther long bloomers for warm climates are the powderpuff callian- (*C. inequilatera*) and the hybrid *Polygala dalmaisiana*, a relative he fringed polygala of Eastern woods. The hybrid polygala is a ub with bright rosy-purple flowers, sometimes called the Australian . The calliandra is a six-foot shrub that produces large pompons trawberry-red stamens for at least ten months in the year. It was oduced to California from Bolivia by Mr. Evans.

or the last few summers gardeners in the Japanese beetle zone e gleefully discussed the apparent end of this insect as a serious at to gardens. But along comes the Connecticut Agricultural Exper- nt Station in New Haven to scotch our hopes.

he for-the-most-part mild winter and the wet 1946 season have bined to build up the grub population, the Station says. As a result may expect plenty of beetles this season unless we treat our soil month or next with arsenate of lead, 10 or 15 pounds per 1,000 are feet of area, to catch the pests before the adult beetles emerge

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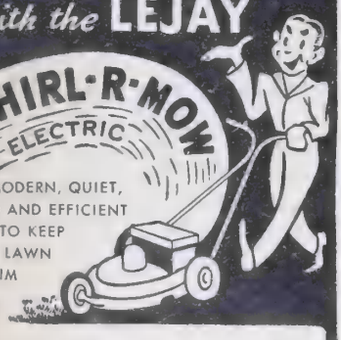
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from their overwintering period in the ground. A dry summer—the this might be a worse evil than the beetles—should also cut t population.

The Capital City Men's Garden Club of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, organized last November and by January had a membership of 75 are told by program chairman Robert S. Reich of the State Un sity's Department of Horticulture.

An ever-growing interest in gardening is also apparent in Flo the latest proof being a new Garden Center in Jacksonville. Federated Garden Clubs of Jacksonville have purchased a large pa of ground facing the St. John's River and will soon break ground a large Garden Center building designed to harmonize with the ne Women's Club house and neighboring estates. Advanced student horticulture at the University of Florida will help plan the ground

Jumping to a section that is far from encouraging to plant our correspondent in the Rocky Mountains-Great Plain zone sugg that gardeners here look to the edge of the Gobi Desert for inspirat He isn't being facetious, either. This spot in Siberia has such clim similarities that its plants are very adaptable to Zone 5. A little kn edge of plant geography can be a very valuable asset to gardeners

A. L.

THE MAN BEHIND THE HOE

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the fertilizer of some of its plant food value.

In the wild, most of the substance of plant and animal remains goes to the enrichment of the soil in the form of humus. In our gardens, on the contrary, we usually remove these. Consequently, in the course of a few years there may be serious depletion of materials built up through many centuries. In times past, humus was restored by digging in manure, which answers admirably when there is enough of it to replace the humus exhausted by previous cultivation. Today animal manures are scarce in many localities, and the home gardener depends more than ever before on composting organic matter in his own back yard from fallen leaves and plant debris.

Take a look around the grounds of the best home gardeners you know, and you will be sure to notice in an out-of-the-way corner of his property one or more compost heaps, of which he is justly proud. His garden program includes the regular use of humus, as well as commercial fertilizer, to improve the texture and nutrient content of his soil.

The most popular of all garden vegetables is easily the tomato, and it is curious to reflect that, although it is native to South America, it was one of the most difficu introduce among us as edible. haps this was because it was g only as an ornamental in nort Europe. However, in sout Europe the tomato was usec food, and it was from Italian i grants, little more than a cer ago, that our forefathers lea with astonishment how pala their "love-apples" were, instea being poisonous as they had ways supposed.

Although most are fan with the ever-popular Beefs and Ponderosa, the yellow fr Golden Queen and the ora yellow Jubilee make excellent ditions to any salad. A small fru variety, the San Marzano, is for preserves, pastes, and sa as is the Strawberry Tomato w fruit grows in a husk. The paratively new Crystal W when sliced with a red va does much to enhance the col and flavor—of the family di table. Two delightful novelties Red Cherry and the Large Pear, may be canned whole f culinary innovation.

A vegetable seldom grown American gardeners is corn s the reason probably being th has only one merit—its earli But that is a virtue worth co eration when you long for the

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green salads to come from the garden. Against this must be set its lack of flavor which may be improved by a piquant salad dressing if the vegetable is eaten raw, or by a sauce if it is boiled like spinach.

Its name indicates that corn salad was formerly found growing wild in the corn (grain) fields of England. Another name for it was lamb's lettuce, because it came in spring with the lambs before the true lettuce.

Another quick-growing plant to try for early salads is upland cress, *Barbarea verna*, which has much the same pleasant pungency as watercress and is equally useful either in the salad bowl or as a garnish for grilled meats. This is not at all the same plant as garden cress or pepper grass, *Lepidium sativum*, which is also a useful early salad plant.

You will find that each one renews its leaves if you pick them one or two at a time instead of topping the whole plant. This holds true for many kinds of salad plants and greens.

Gardeners who have successfully grown the garden pea need hardly be encouraged to sow seed of this vegetable that needs an early start and yields an early crop. These gardeners know that peas are at their prime only when freshly picked, before their natural sugar has begun to change into starch. Complaints are sometimes heard that peas are difficult to raise satisfactorily, but almost inevitably it will be found that the few simple rules for their culture have been broken in one particular or another.

First, peas require a well-made, mellow seed bed and it is a waste of effort trying to grow good peas on inefficient soil. Second, they should have sufficient moisture but must not stand in water. Third, if peas have not previously been grown on a plot, the seed should be inoculated; that is, it should be shaken up with a little of the inexpensive legume powder, sold in seed stores, which contains the proper bacteria for the best growth of this legume. Fourth, the seed should be treated with a protectant, such as Spergon, Semesan, or Arasan. Fifth, it should be sown neither so early that the seedlings meet a killing frost, nor so late that the plants will be shriveled in a summer sun. These are simple but essential rules, and you will be well rewarded by earnestly observing them.

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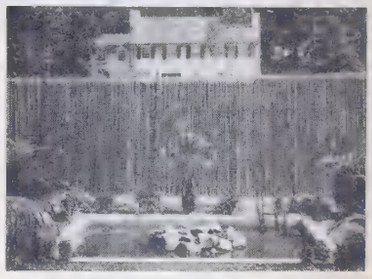
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KEEP YOUR AZALEAS COLOR MATCHED

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And how do you go about working out a color scheme? First, observe the range of pink and red azaleas while they are in bloom. Study them at your local nurseries and public gardens, and in friends' gardens, too. Then decide whether your garden scheme should contain the blue pinks (which include the rosy lavenders, violets, and crimsons), or the yellow pinks (the corals, salmons, and brick-reds). Unless you are a color expert, don't ever try to mix them. The only other safe alternative is a pastel scheme, with possibly one or two bright accent notes.

With a yellow-pink scheme, you can combine all shades and values of yellow, orange, salmon, and white, and you can use with them other plants with clear blue and blue-purple flowers. For example, picture the warm salmons and oranges of the Kurume hybrids on page 135 in a more formal setting with a foreground of mauve-blue and white tulips and pansies.

A yellow-pink scheme like this will blend with a red-brick house, against which magenta flowers clash. You can also use it against warm cream and yellow wood or masonry and, of course, with white.

Most people acknowledge a dislike of magenta. Yet when they see *Azalea mucronulata*—a tint of magenta—in flower near a pale yellow variety of forsythia, or the vibrant crimson Hinodegiri alone against gray-green pines, they forget that these azaleas are what they term an unpleasant color. All colors are pleasing if we know how to use them.

You can achieve some strikingly beautiful color schemes with blue-pink (which includes magenta) azaleas in combination with shades and tints of blues and violets, clear pale yellows and whites. In other words, no yellow-pink, orange, or brick-red at all, and no more than a touch of golden yellow.

A blue-pink scheme is good with background of gray, natural, pale yellow, or white, in wood or masonry, or with deep blue-green or gray-green foliage.

Once you have chosen between the two basic color schemes, decide to keep it throughout your garden scheme and garden year. You'll find this avoids disharmony and simplifies your planning for future years.

Except in desert or very alkaline soil sections, you can g azaleas wherever you live. But do best in acid soil sections a both coasts, from northern C fornia to British Columbia, from Florida to Maine.

For best results with azal choose a site partially shaded f the afternoon sun, but reason free of tree roots. Prepare the bed deeply before planting, ad a large quantity of acid leaf m or peat moss. Azaleas look and usually do well as foregro to other evergreens that give t protection from wind. After pl ing, provide beds with a perma acid leaf mulch, adding to it e fall, and see that plants are wat well during extended droughts feeding, be sure to give an plant food.

The azalea blooming pe extends well over two mo wherever these plants grow. following lists, prepared for e zone (see map, page 250) by Ho BEAUTIFUL's horticultural con ants, give you azaleas by c groups.

The "very early" *Azalea mu nulata* blooms with forsyt Types marked "early" bloom the popular saucer magnolia edible cherry. Those marked "r season" bloom with flowering wood, and those marked "la with deutzias and flowering c apples.

Zone 1—The Northeast, a Zone 4—The Middle Wes

Soils in most parts of the No east are naturally acid, but if try to grow azaleas in alkaline of the Middle West you had l excavate the bed and replace soil entirely with a mixture of soil and humus or peat.

The following azaleas are us in both zones:

FOR A BLUE-PINK COLOR SCH Pink:

Royal azalea (*schlippenbac* pale rose, mid-season, 4½'-6'

Pinkshell (*vaseyi*), mid-season, 4'-8'

Pinxter-bloom (*nudiflora*), pink, late 3'-7'

Indian (*indica or macranth* rosy-pink, early, evergreen, low

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Flame (*calendulacea*), bright brick reds and brilliant oranges, very late, 5'-8'

Torch (*obtusa kaempferi*), brick reds, salmons, oranges, yellows, and creams, mid-season, 3'-5'. Some named hybrids, but scarce

Chinese (*mollis*), salmon, orange and yellow, mid-season, 3½'-5'

A.rustica, brick reds, oranges, coppers, many doubles, fragrant, late, 4½'-8'. Ghent hybrids were developed from *rustica* and *pontica*

A.pontica, yellow, single, fragrant, late, 4½'-8'

For Blending

Whites:

Snow (*ledifolia* or *indica alba*), early, evergreen, low and broad

Swamp (*viscosa*), fragrant, very late, 5'-9'

Smooth or sweet (*arborescens*), white to pale pink, fragrant, very late, 6'-10'

Zone 2—The South

In Zone 2 you can grow most of the species azaleas available for Zones 1 and 4 (see lists), and you can also select azalea plants as named varieties from the large groups of Kurumes (the dwarf evergreens with myriads of small double flowers), of Arnoldianas (hardier hybrids of Kurumes developed at the Arnold Arboretum), of Kaempferis (with large flowers on large evergreen plants, hardy in the mountains), and of a strain developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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Pale Pink:

Apple Blossom, K, mid-season

Pink Pearl, K, late

Bright Pink:

Coral Bells, K, early

Aphrodite, USDA, mid-season

Satsuki Macrantha, late

Magenta and Crimson:

Sherwoodi Hinodigiri, mid-season

Beni Kirishima, USDA, mid-season

For a Yellow-Pink Color Scheme

Salmon:

Bridesmaid, K, mid-season

Salmon Beauty, K, mid-season

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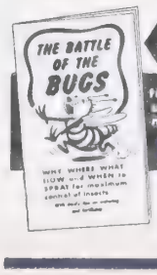
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Orange:
Orange Beauty, K, mid-season
Macrantha, USDA, mid-season
A. austrina, late, deciduous

FOR BLENDING

Whites:
Ramentacca, K, mid-season
Snow Man, mid-season

Zone 3—Florida and the Gulf Strip

The beautiful native pink (rarely white) flowered *Azalea canescens* grows widely in fertile hummocks. For upper and western parts of Zone 3, Florida flame azalea (*austrina*) furnishes blossoms of light yellow to orange red.

By far the most widely planted groups in Florida, however, are the exotic evergreen Indian (*indica*) and Kurume azaleas that do well almost everywhere in the state. However, in the Tampa-St. Petersburg area the Indian group is better adapted than the Kurume, and south of Tampa-New Smyrna, azaleas are not at their best.

In the following list the Indian varieties are designated by "I" and the Kurumes by "K":

FOR A BLUE-PINK COLOR SCHEME

Pale Pink:
George Franc, I, early
Macrantha, I, late
Coral Bells, K, mid-season

Deep Pink:
Brilliant, I, early to mid-season
Prince of Wales, I, late

Magenta and Crimson:
Formosa, I, mid-season
Phoenicea, I, mid-season

FOR A YELLOW-PINK COLOR SCHEME

Salmon:
Bridesmaid, K, early
Lawsal, I, mid-season

Orange:
Flame, K, mid-season
President Clay, I, early

Orange Red:
Christmas Cheer, K, mid-season

FOR BLENDING

Whites:
Fielder's White, I, early
New White, I, mid-season

Zone 5—The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain

Azaleas are out of the question here because of such unfavorable conditions as extreme heat in summer, extreme cold in winter and highly alkaline soil.

Zone 6—The Northwest

Azaleas are available for the Northwest in bewildering variety, and we can grow practically that flourish in the Northe (See list for Zones 1 and Azalea bloom here starts in uary and lasts till July.

Following are but a few of many azalea varieties availabl Northwest gardens. Unless ot wise noted, they are evergr Origins of hybrids are abbrevi as follows:
"M" for *mollis*, "Kmpf" *kaempferi*, "K" for Kurume, for Ghent, "I" for *indica*.

FOR A BLUE-PINK COLOR SCH

Pale Pink:
Exquisita, G, mid-season, d uous
Pink Pearl, K, mid-season

Bright Pink:
Beethoven, M, mid-season, d uous
Benigiri, K, mid-season
Hinomayo, K, mid-season

Magenta and Crimson:
Carmen, Kmpf, mid-season
Fidelio, Kmpf, mid-season
Mary, M, mid-season

Lavender:
Atlanta, Kmpf, mid-season
Yodogawa, early, deciduous

FOR A YELLOW-PINK COLOR SCHEME

Orange-Red:
Alice, Kmpf, mid-season
Brilliant Red, M, mid-sea deciduous
Zampa, Kmpf, mid-season

Salmon:
Babeuff, M, mid-season, d uous
Betty, Kmpf, mid-season
J. T. Lovett, I, late

Orange:
Altaclarense, G, mid-season ciduous
Floradora, M, mid-season, d uous

Yellow:
Daviesi, G, mid-season, d uous
Narcissiflora, M, mid-se deciduous

FOR BLENDING

Whites:
Delicatissima, G, mid-season ciduous
Snow, K, mid-season

Zone 7—California and the Southwest

Azaleas do well in Northern fornia (see list for Zone 6- Northwest), but are next t possible in the southern pa the state and in the South Because of drought coupled alkalinity of the soil.

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RENOVATING YOUR LAWN

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remove the crabgrass seed that fell last fall, unless you want to undertake the herculean task of replacing the soil. But by getting your new grass under way soon, you will give your lawn a chance to outgrow this weed.

3. Prepare the ground. Simply dig up soil in large bare areas, giving it a careful raking and leveling to conform with the surrounding soil surface. On spots too small for spading, loosen the soil to four inches with a garden fork and rake with a hand cultivator. Even on merely thin stretches of turf, it is important to loosen the soil, preferably by perforating with a special implement called a spiker.

4. Fertilize and top dress. Here, as in treating with 2,4-D, you can put off the chore until after your seed is in. Then you scatter a light top-dressing of screened topsoil and compost not more than one-quarter inch over the seed bed. But you'll probably get better results if you top dress beforehand, because this allows you to fill in and even up slight depressions in the soil bed. Liming is unnecessary, except in extremely acid soils.

A wheelbarrow is the handiest mixing place for material to go on a small or medium-size lawn. Put your quarter-inch screen into the wheelbarrow and shovel into it one spadeful of compost to two of topsoil. Then mix them through with your trowel. You can add the commercial fertilizer here, too, or you can add it directly to the lawn, raking it in when you level the top-dressing. The one thing to avoid is applying the commercial fertilizer with the seed which might then be injured. Spread the top-dressing mixture over bare areas, and also over the entire lawn, (if you have the energy to prepare enough) at the rate of a bushel per 100 square feet.

5. Apply seed. Pick a windless day if you can, unless you are applying seed with a distributor. Distribute seed evenly and give a light raking followed by a light rolling to insure rapid germination. Finally you can give a light sprinkling if the ground is dry.

6. Follow through. Keep trespassers off. Watch for crabgrass during May and June. (You can identify it because it is lighter green and broader leaved in its two-leaf stage than other grasses.)

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Hand-weeding crabgrass when small is well worth the effort.

The following paragraphs give lawn renovating hints by zones. Study the one that deals with your case before setting to work.

Zone 1—The Northeast

A good general lawn seed mixture, both for patching and for general use includes about 50 per cent Kentucky Blue grass, and the rest Creeping Red fescue, Colonial bent, and a nurse grass of Redtop. For poor or sandy soil, the mixture should have a liberal proportion of red fescue.

The spring is generally moist enough to chance patching lawns through May, but the earlier the start, the better results, usually, unless you are willing to water the lawn well during spring and summer droughts.

Zone 2—The South

After the first few droughts of late spring, Italian Rye grass planted in sunny Bermuda grass lawns for the winter, will begin to disappear. Feed Bermuda lawns at once and transplant small pieces of turf to the thin spots. It will not show much growth above ground till hot weather. Seeds of Bermuda grass will not germinate till really hot weather and should not be planted before then because they are very perishable and will rot in cool weather. Because of the difficulty with seeds, stolons are better.

Along the coast, Carpet, Centipede, and St. Augustine grasses and the newer *Zoysia matrella* (Flawn) need feeding now. Where thin spots occur, topdress with fertilizer and set out more plants. In bare spots, incorporate two inches of peat moss with the soil and add a liberal amount of a complete fertilizer. Then set out stolons—a handful to each square foot. Soon the bad spots will be better than the lawn.

In the hill and mountain sections of the South, shady and partly shady lawns of Kentucky Blue grass and the fescues need feeding from the top with compost and fertilizer now. Kentucky Blue grass does not last long without some shade.

Zone 3—Florida and the Gulf Strip

If you live in Zone 3 your lawn is probably composed of one or more of the following permanent grasses—evergreen St. Augustine, so effective in deeply shaded areas; ubiqitous centipede, the starvation species that succeeds well on light sandy soils; fine-textured, bright-green Bermuda; and coarse, but tenacious carpet grass.

Manila grass (*Zoysia matrella*), also known commercially as Flawn, has been used since the Twenties in the Miami area, where it seems to thrive on the calcareous soils. Set out small sods at intervals; it covers less rapidly than Bermuda or centipede grass, but gives a turf of unusually fine texture.

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areas is to set sods about eight inches square. Move these in with an inch or two of soil attached, tamp well and soak immediately. If sods of your chosen grass are not available, plant rooted sprigs at four-inch intervals and water well.

Living in the Gulf Coast region, you will know that there is frequent need for the lawn sprinkler during early springtime.

Zone 4—The Middle West

In this zone plant the best Kentucky Blue grass, or a mixture with this grass making up a high percentage, whether for patching or for making a new lawn.

It is getting late to fertilize lawns in some sections, so do this chore and also patching immediately or your lawn may grow up to weeds instead of grass.

If your lawn has become so poor that it must be completely remade, it is better to sod in the spring rather than sow seed.

Zone 5—The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain

Repairing damaged places in lawns may be done in Zone 5 anytime in the spring after the frost is out, up to the first of July. When seeded early, the seed comes slowly but does not require quite the daily care. If seeded when the weather is warmer it will come quickly but requires attention several times a day. You can not depend on any natural rainfall here so plan to keep the surface of the ground moist from the time the seed is planted until it is well up.

Straight Kentucky Blue grass lawns are still the most popular here. About ten per cent White Dutch clover can be added if desired. Lawns of Astoria bent grass are being planted more often recently. This makes a fine smooth lawn, but is not so attractive in early spring and late fall. Many lawns are now seeded with about 80 per cent Blue grass and 20 per cent in a variety of bent grass.

In extremely northern and high altitude situations some of our native grasses are being used but are usually slow to develop and do not make really dense lawns.

Zone 6—The Northwest

West of the Cascade Mountains the soil is naturally slightly acid, therefore, encouraging to good lawns. Only in poorly drained ground, where soil is excessively acid, do we advise using lime.

In most gardens the best results are obtained by sowing a mixture of Kentucky Blue grass, the fescues, and creeping bents. Fescues are used for ground that is comparatively dry and in especially light soils; creeping bents where there is ample moisture the year round and in heavy soils.

Zone 7—California and the Southwest

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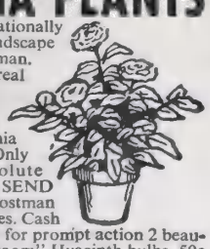
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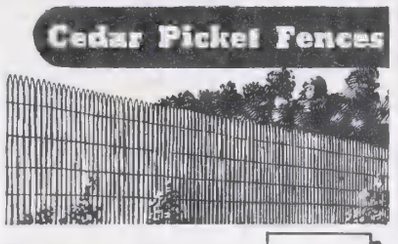
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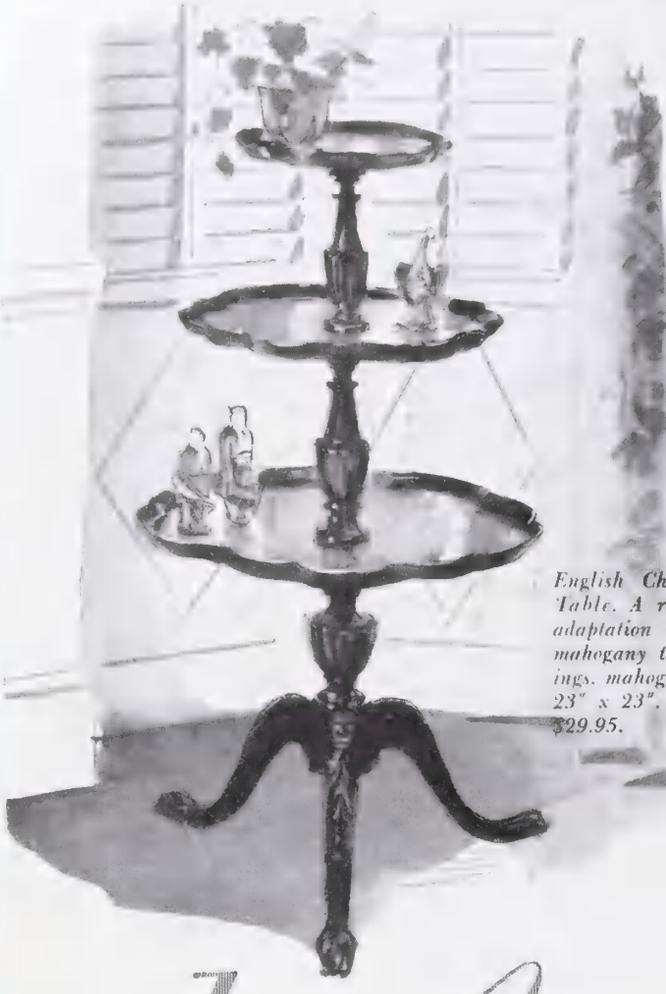


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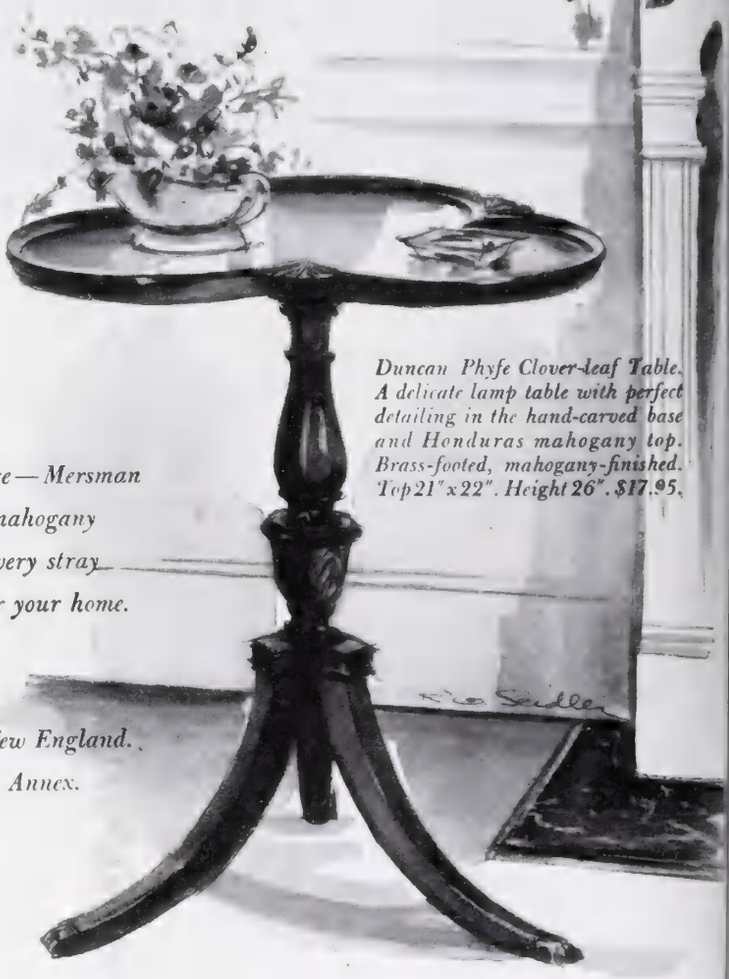
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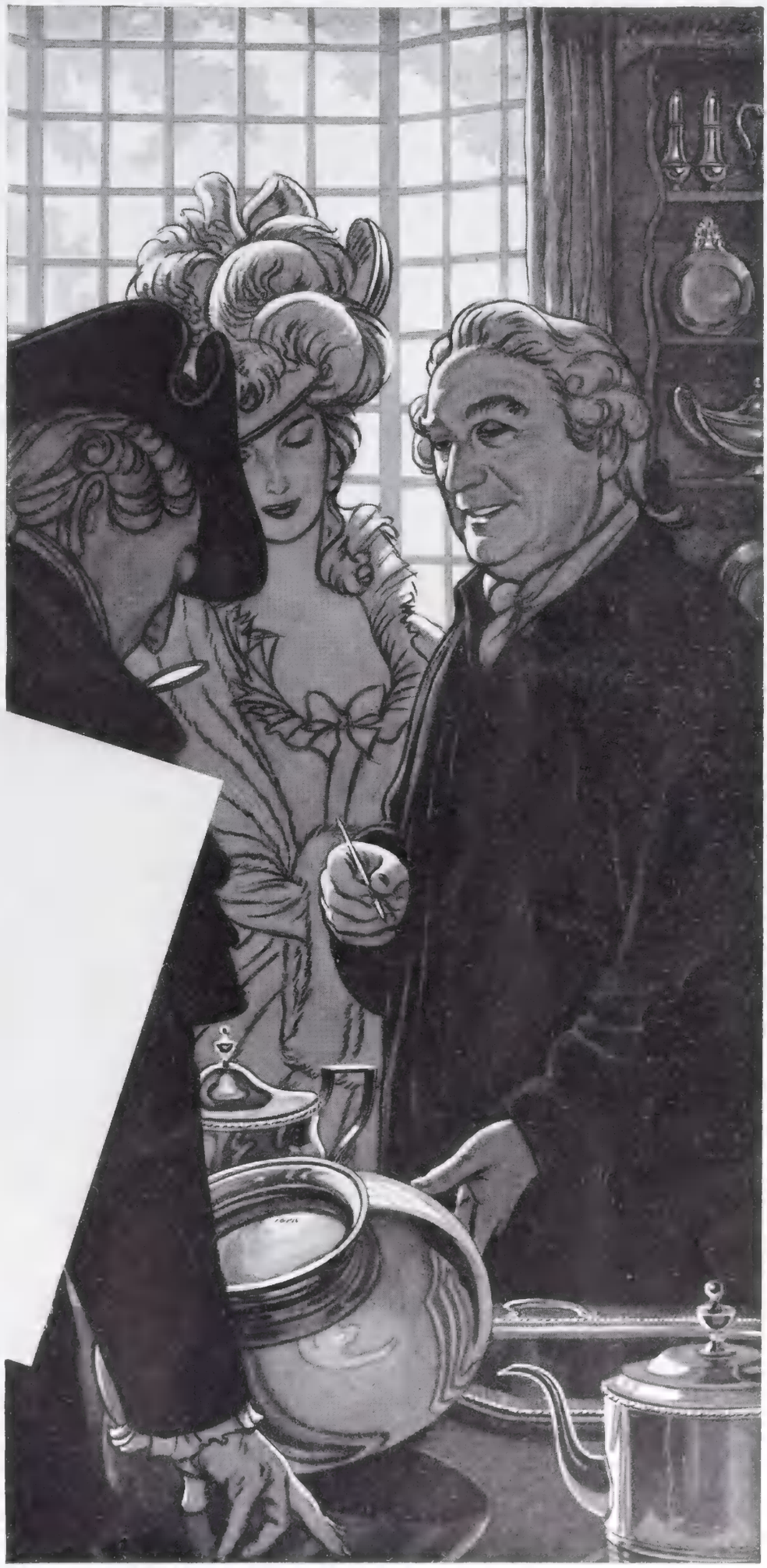
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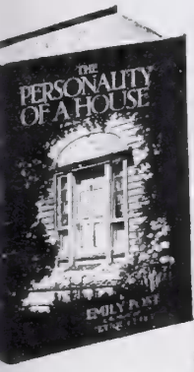
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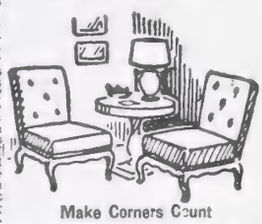
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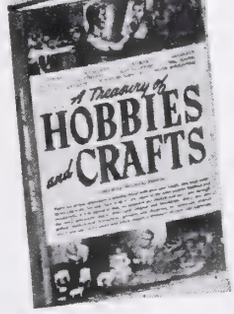
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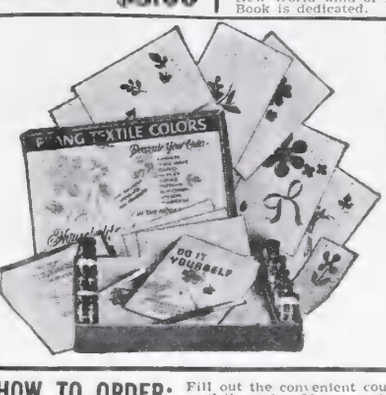
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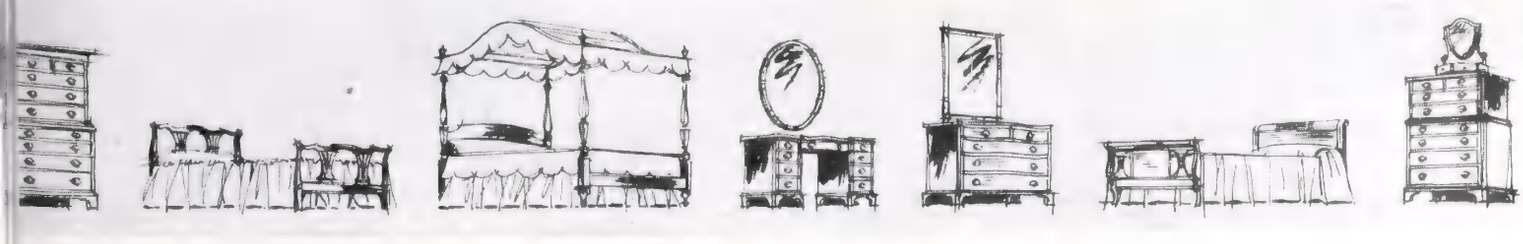


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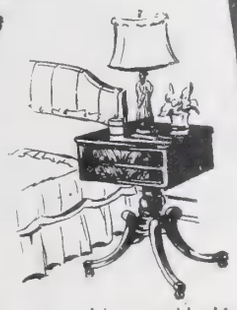
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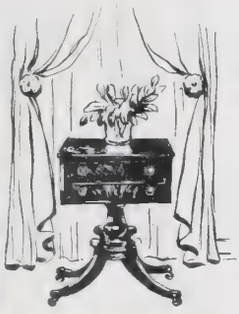
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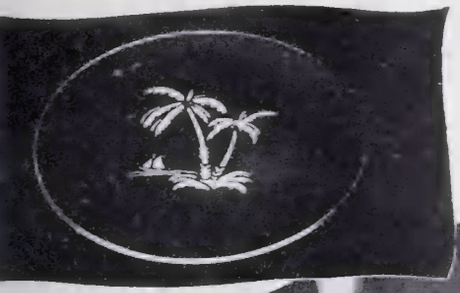
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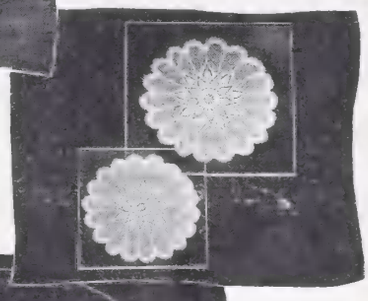
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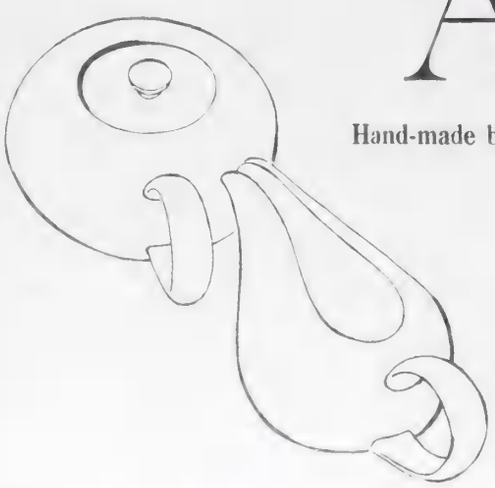
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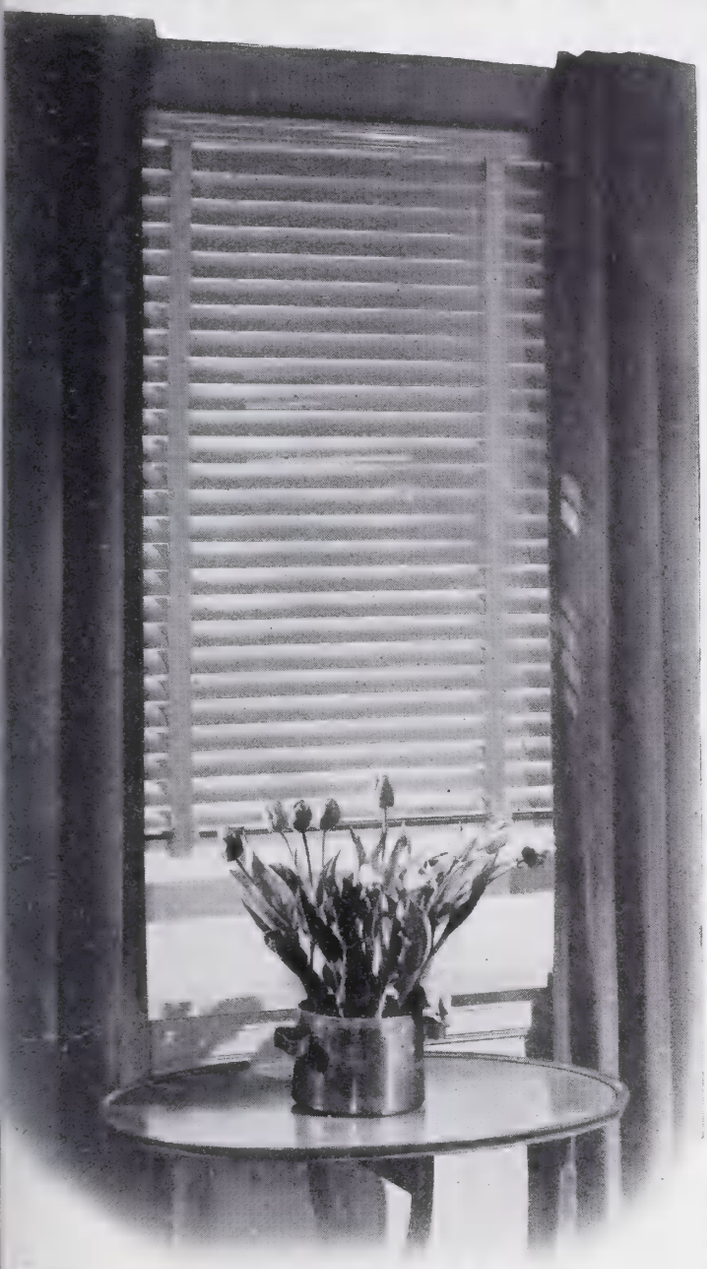


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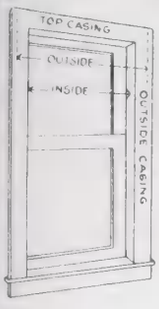
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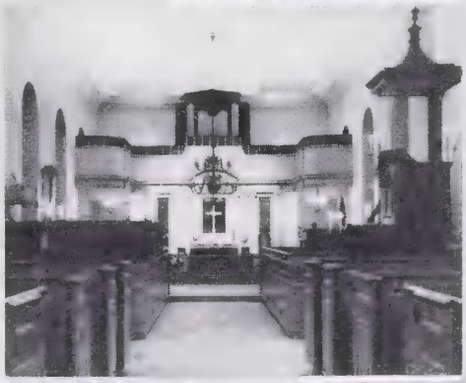
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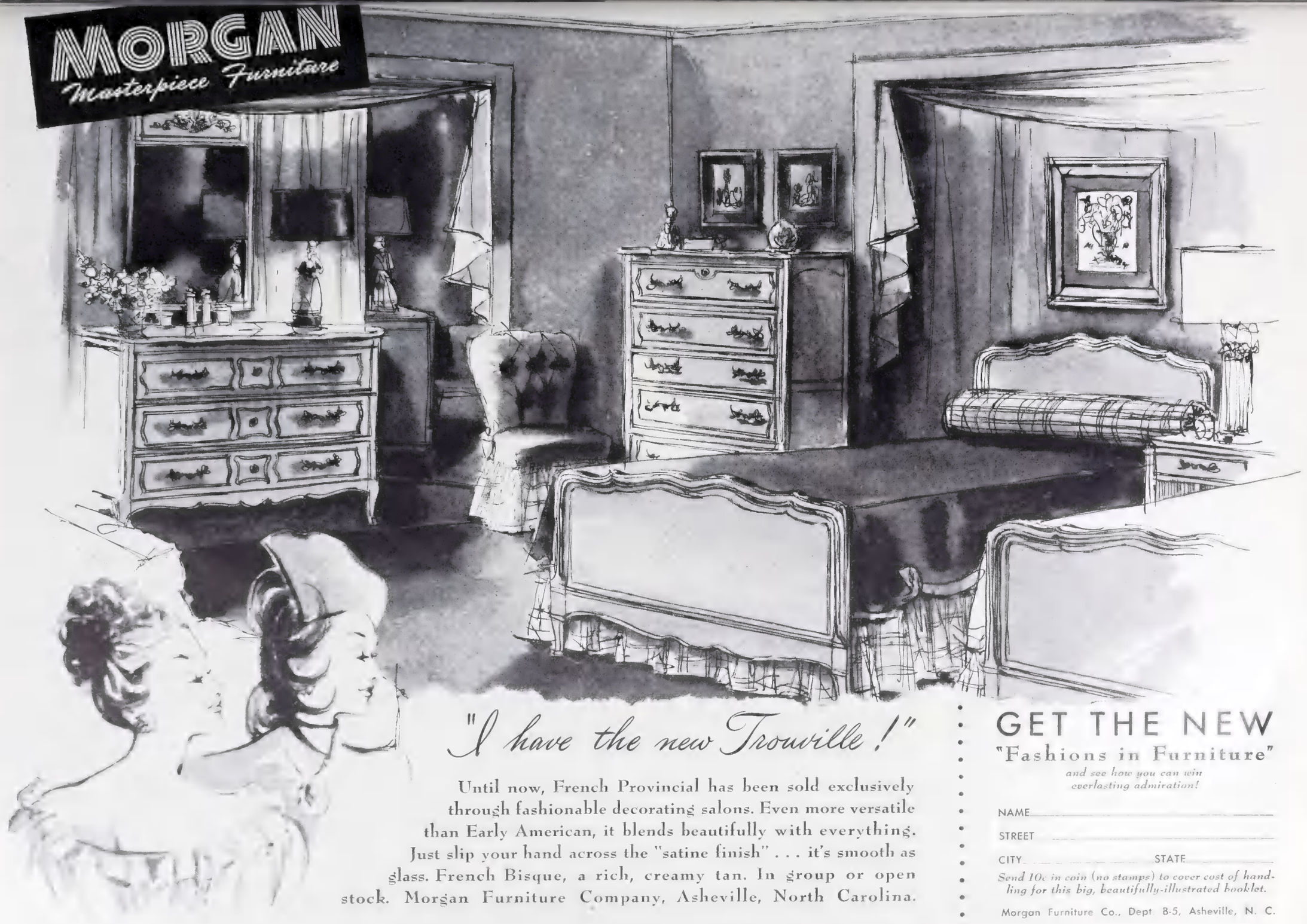
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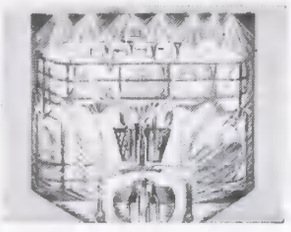
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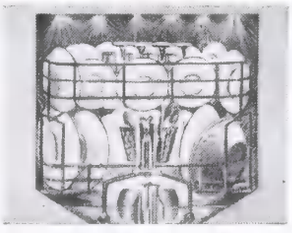
:p 1. Load dishes. Note places silver, pots, pans, etc.



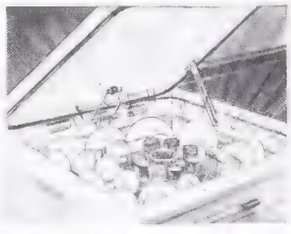
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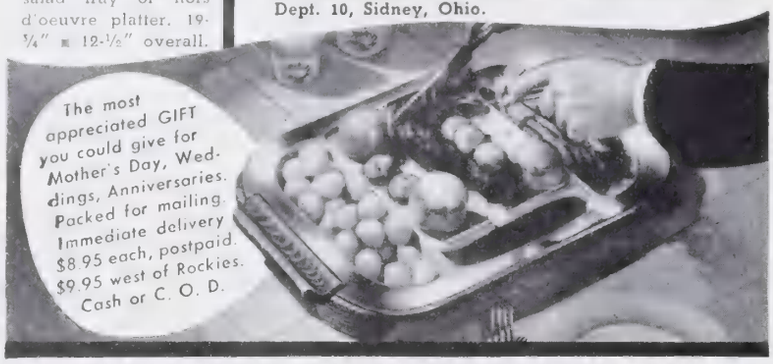
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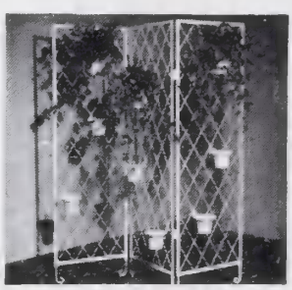




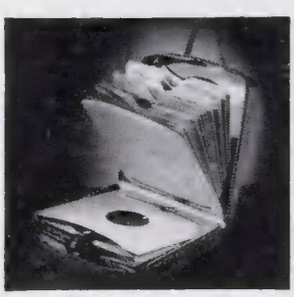
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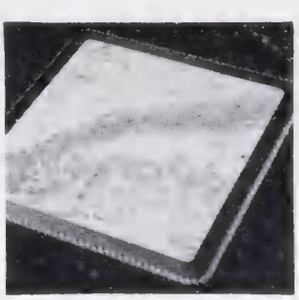
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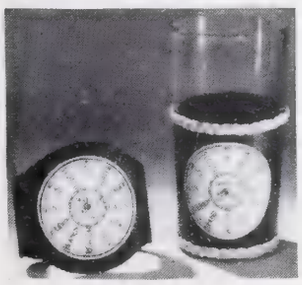
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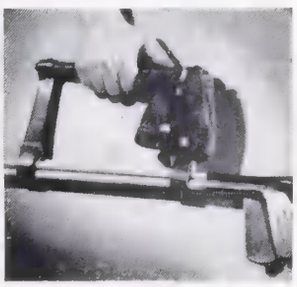
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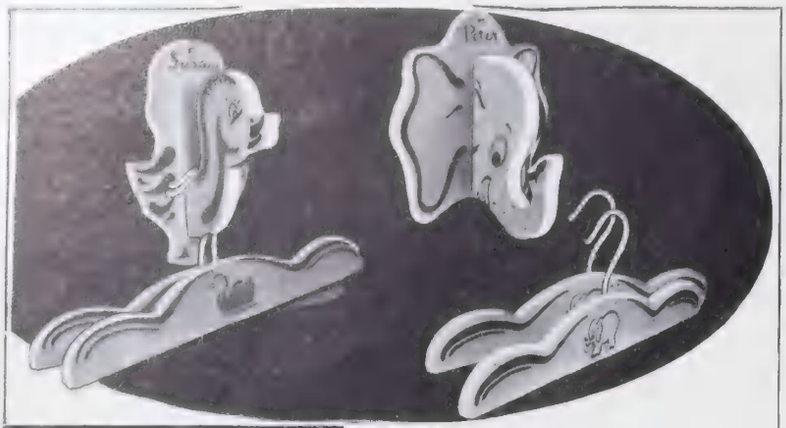
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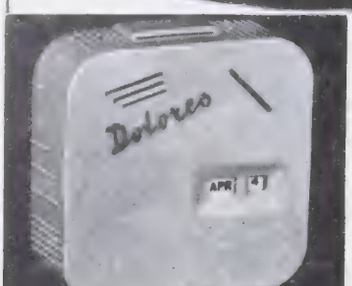
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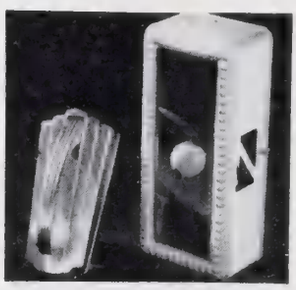
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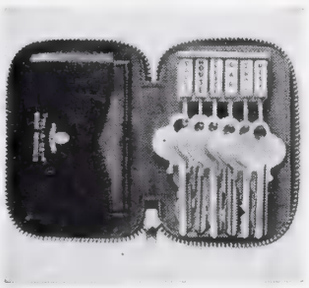
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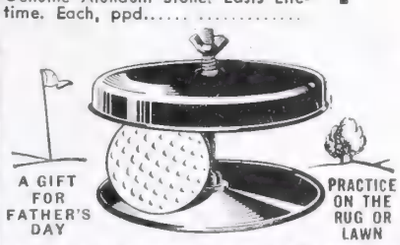
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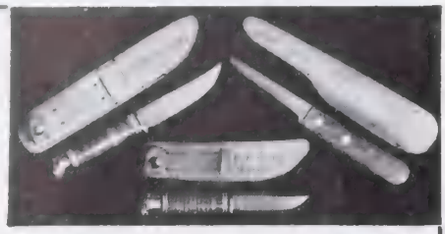
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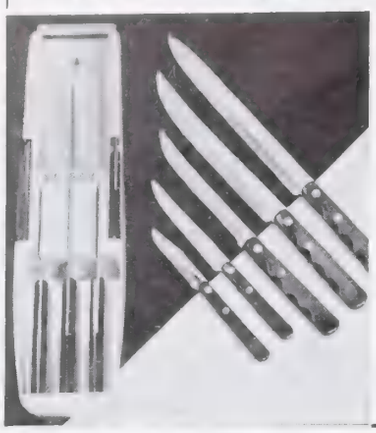
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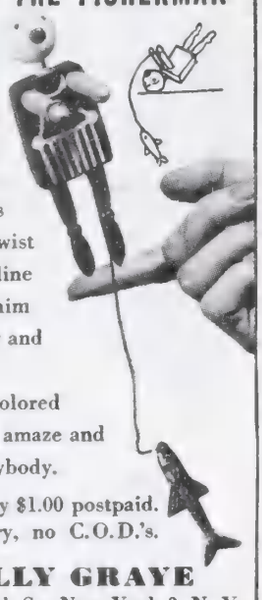
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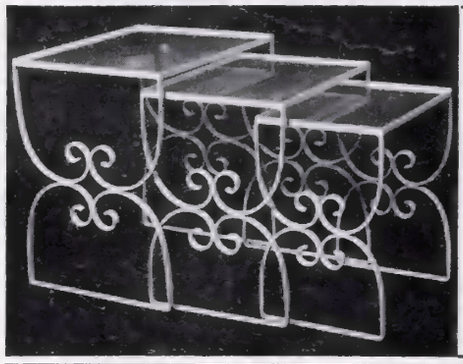
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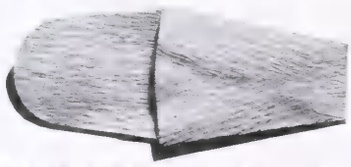
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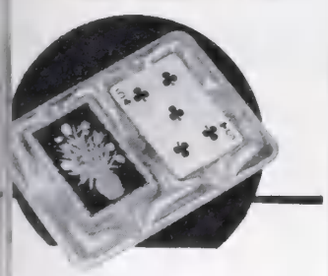




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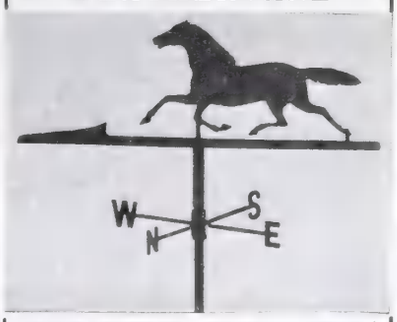
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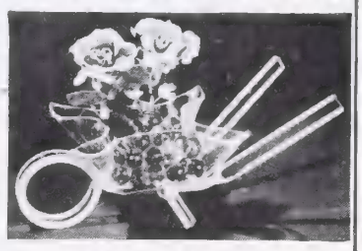
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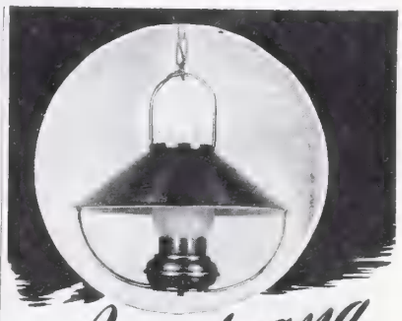
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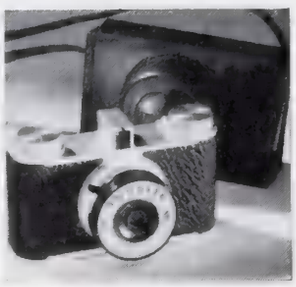
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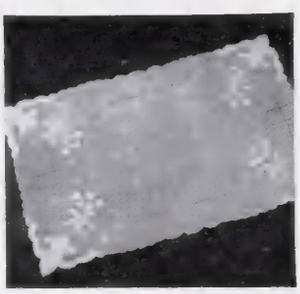


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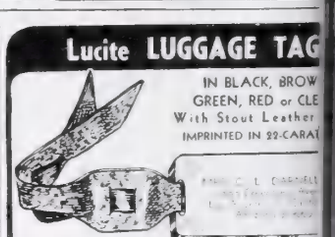
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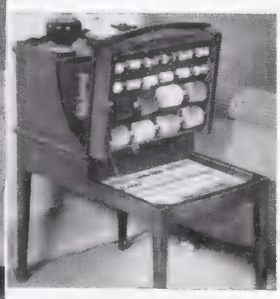
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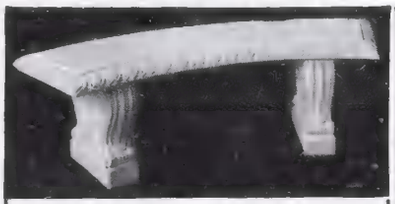


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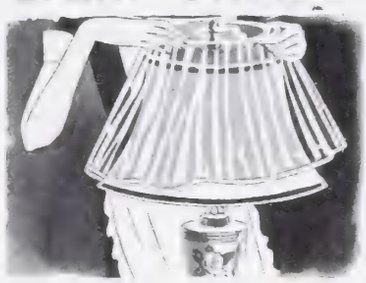
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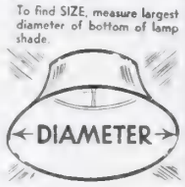
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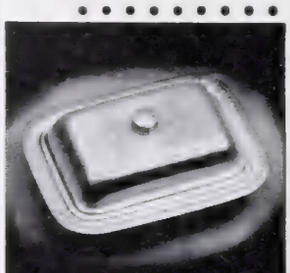
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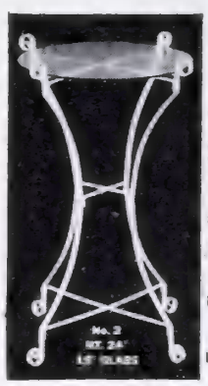
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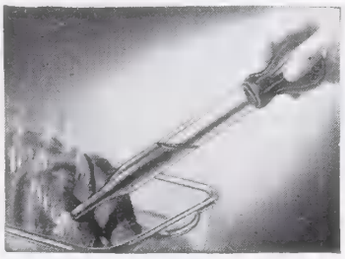


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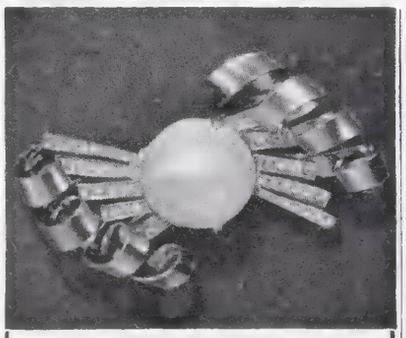
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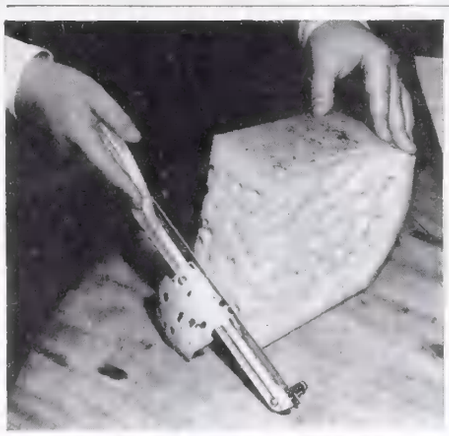
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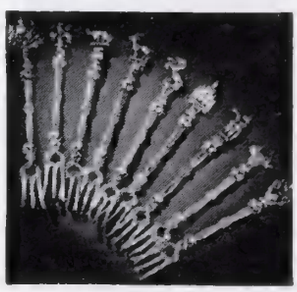
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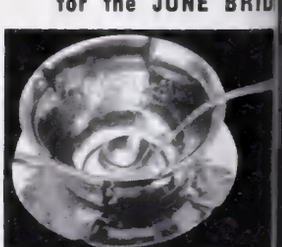
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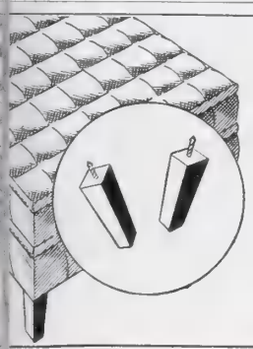


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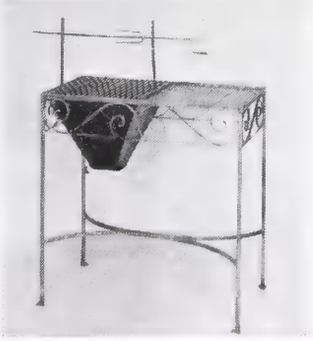
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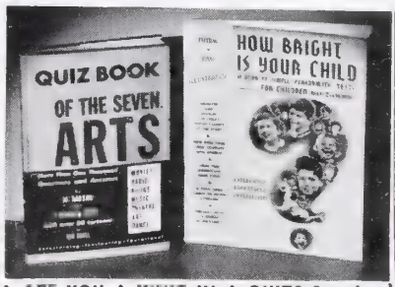


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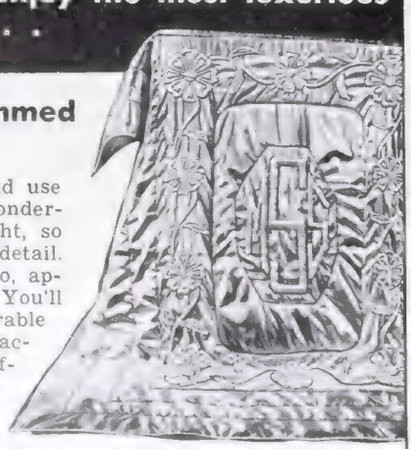
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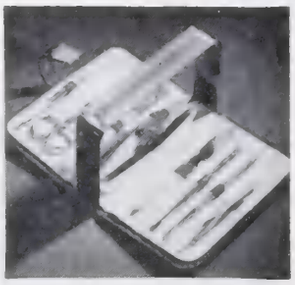
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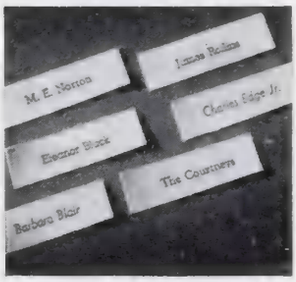
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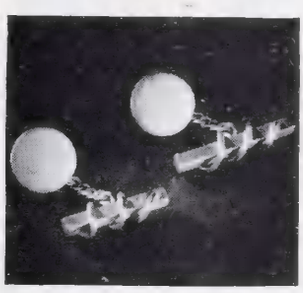
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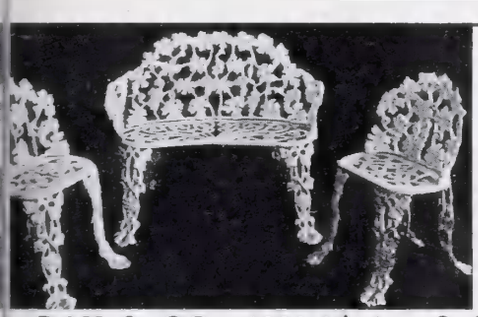


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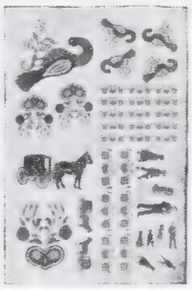
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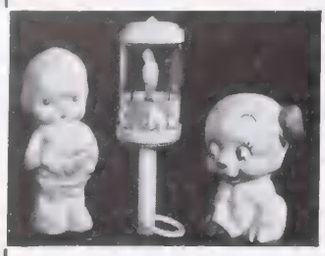
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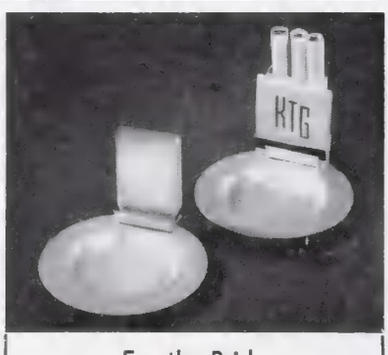


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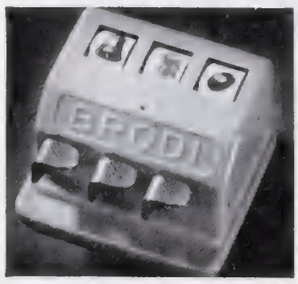
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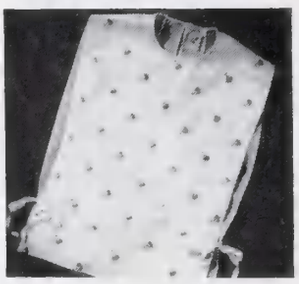
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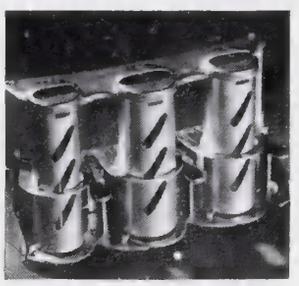


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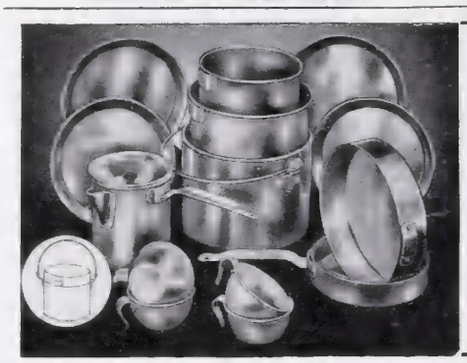
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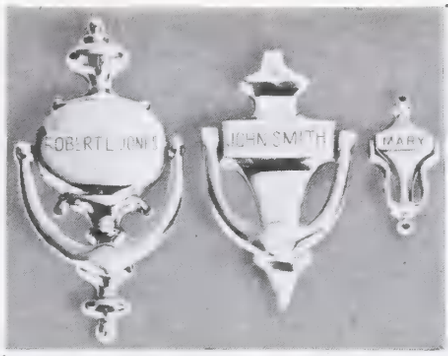
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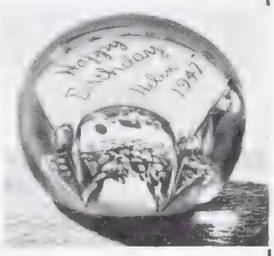


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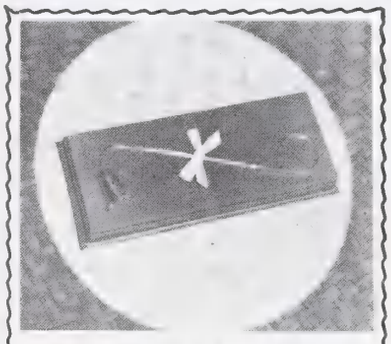
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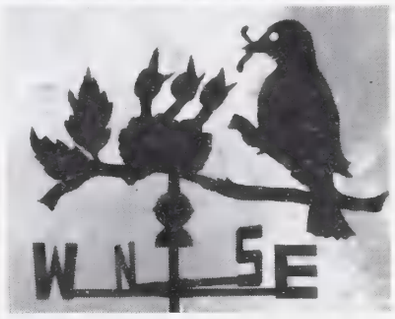
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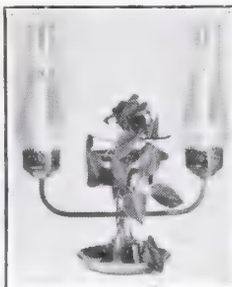


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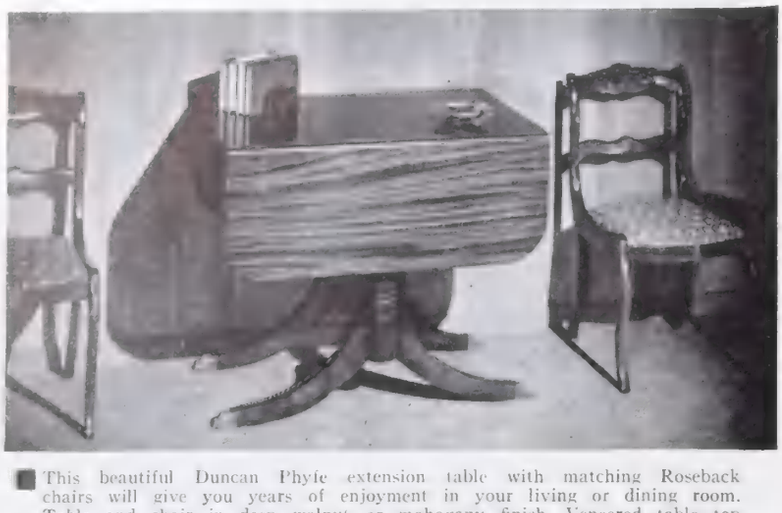


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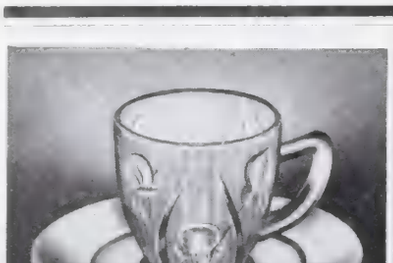
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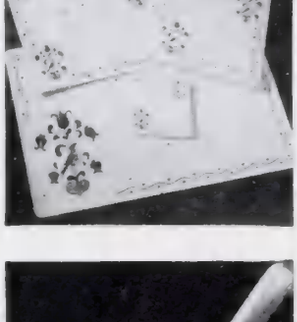
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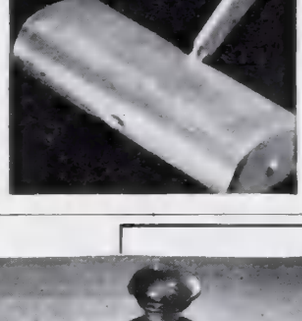


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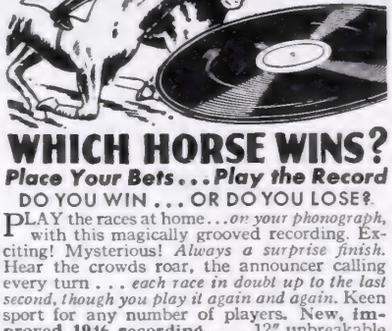


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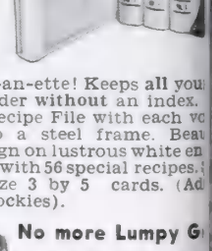
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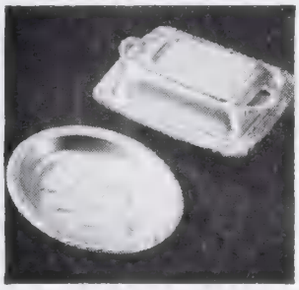
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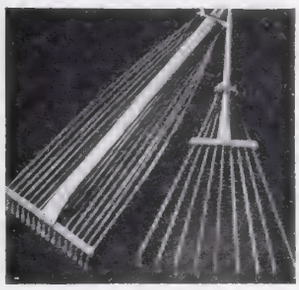
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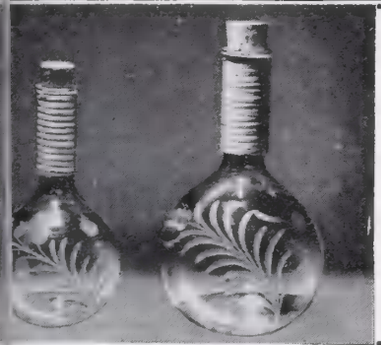


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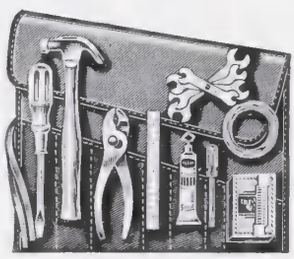


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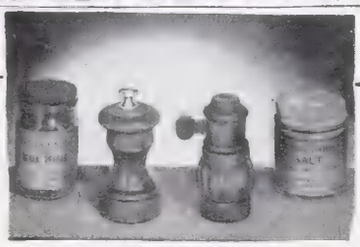


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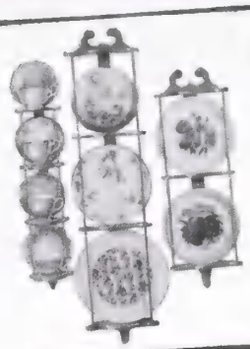
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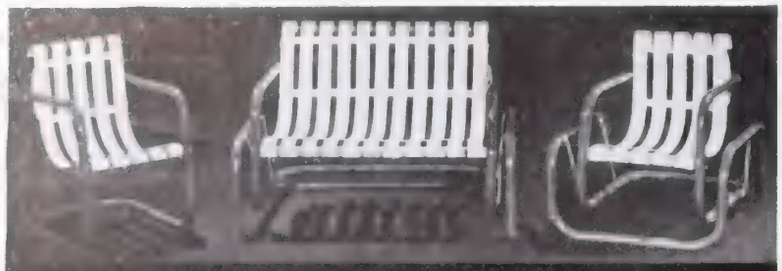
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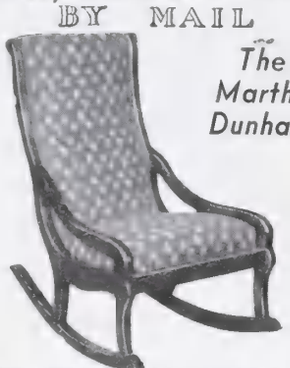
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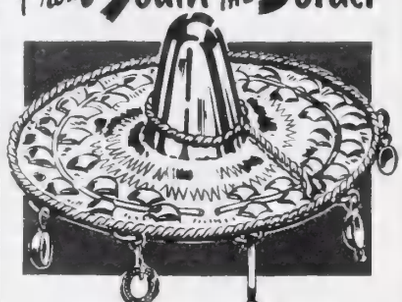
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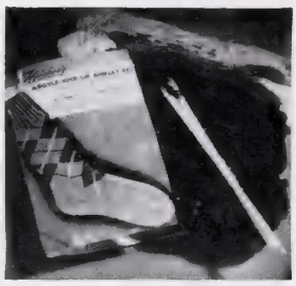
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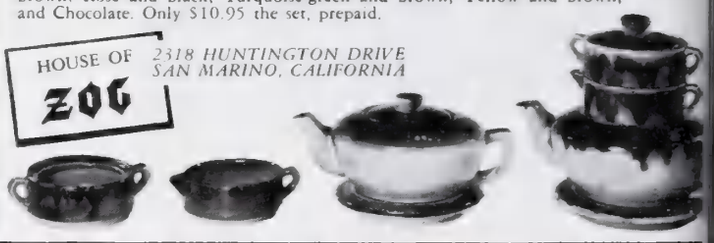
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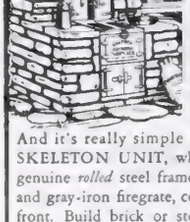
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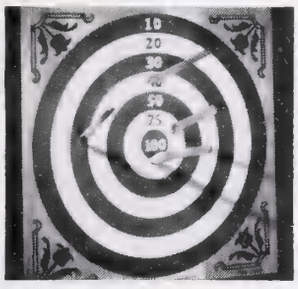
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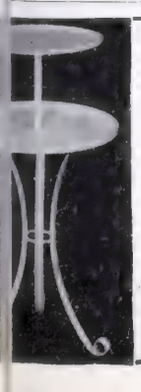
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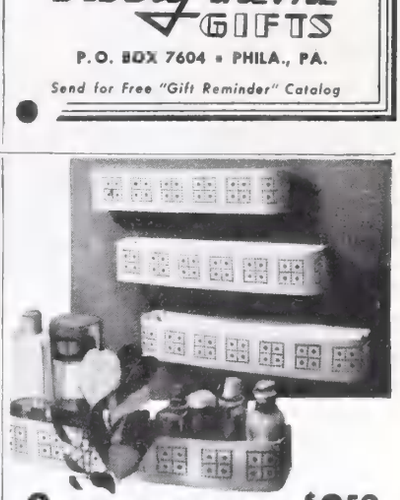
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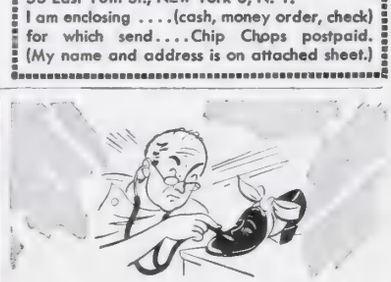


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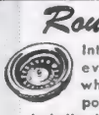
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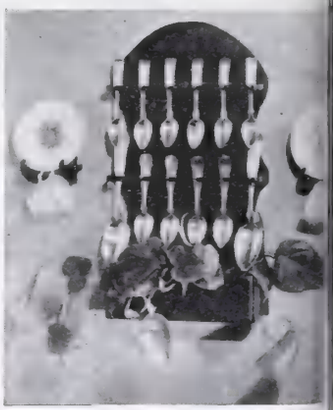
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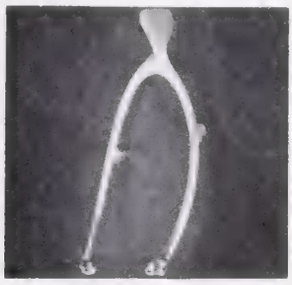
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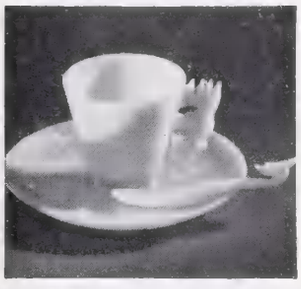
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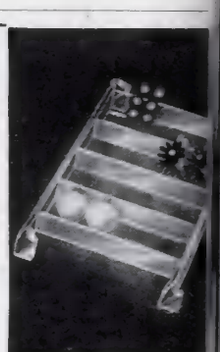
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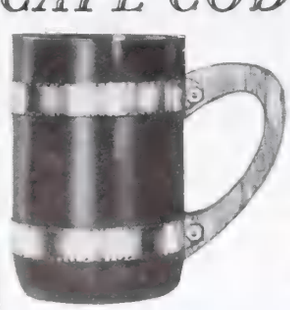
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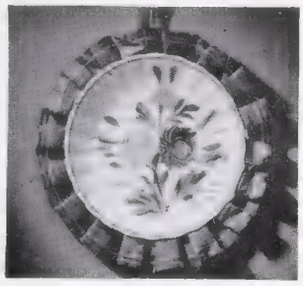
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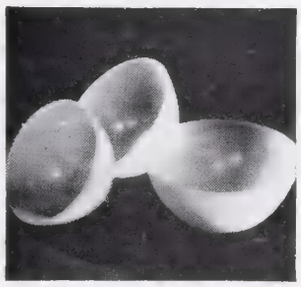
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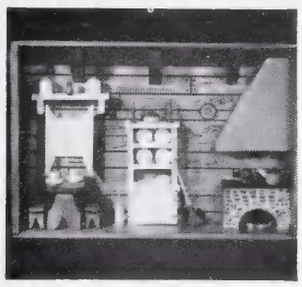
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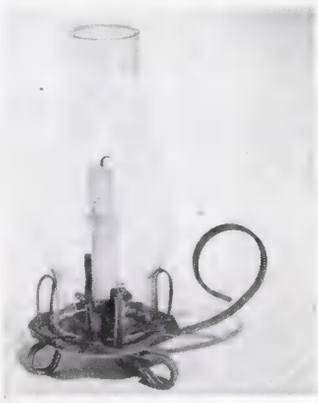
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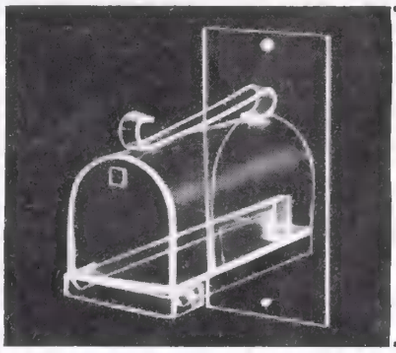
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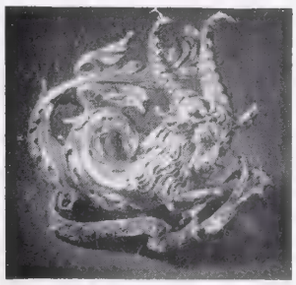
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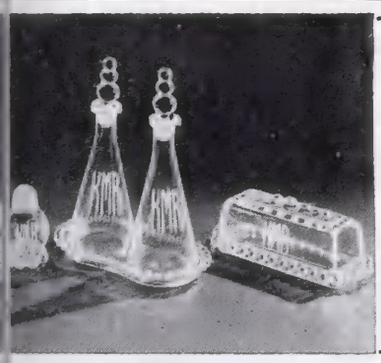


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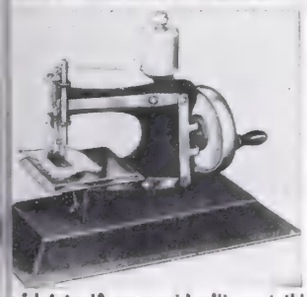
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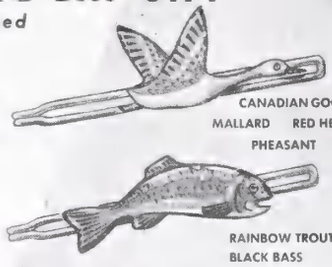
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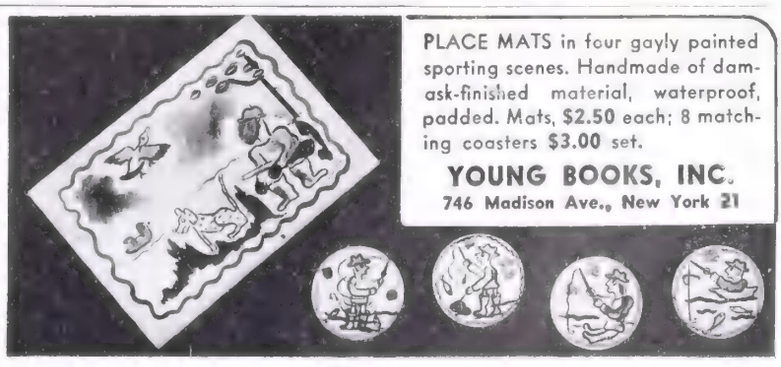
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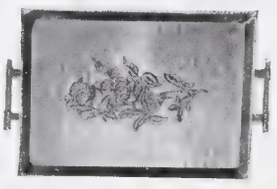
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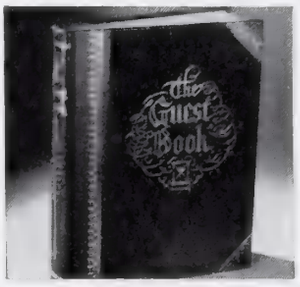
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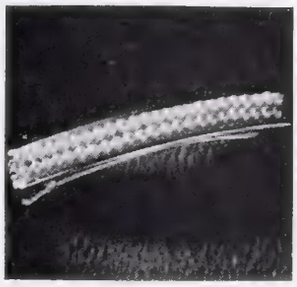
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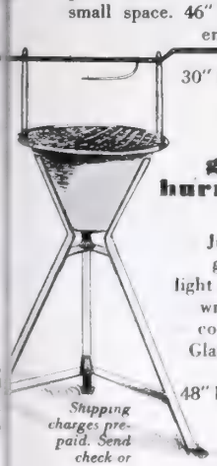
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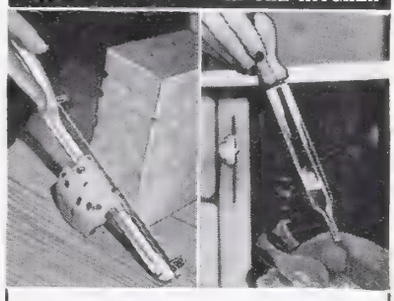


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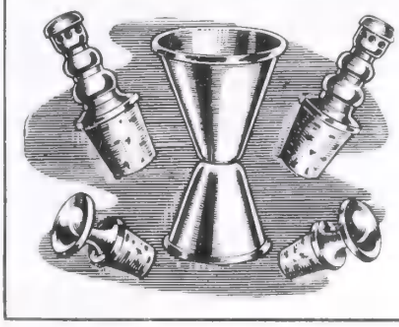
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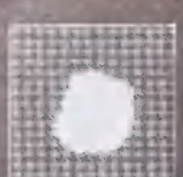
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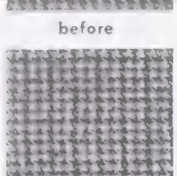
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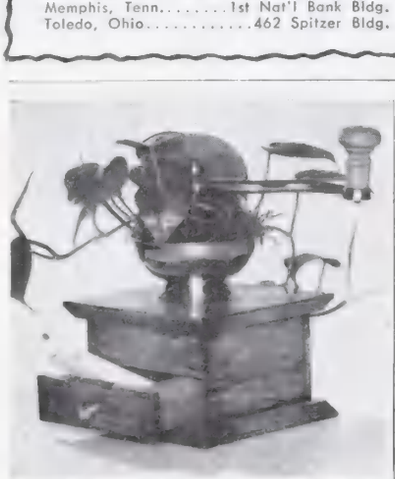
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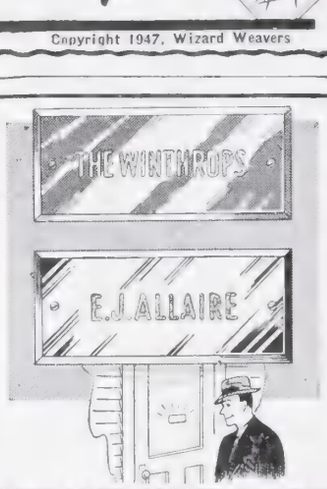
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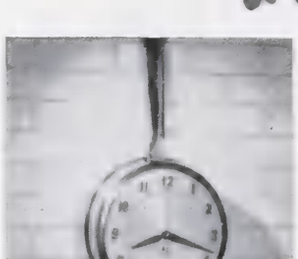


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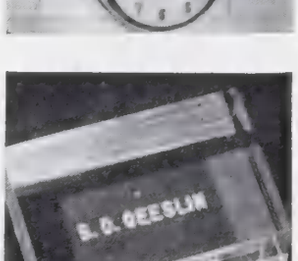
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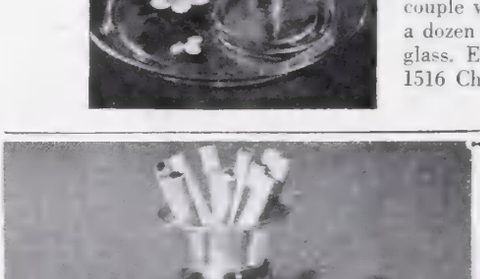
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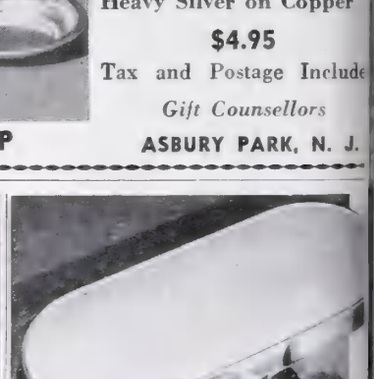
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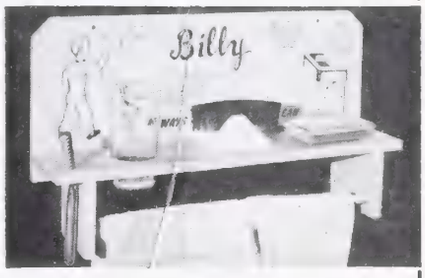
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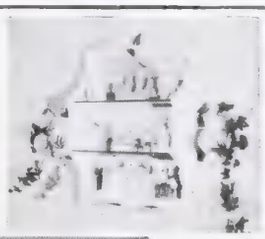
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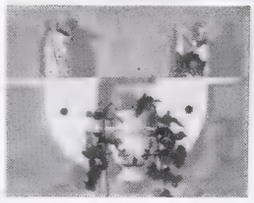
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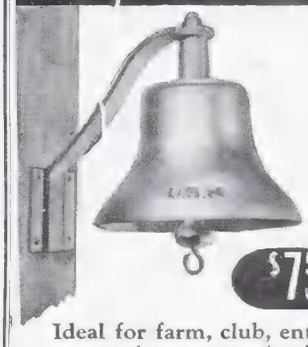
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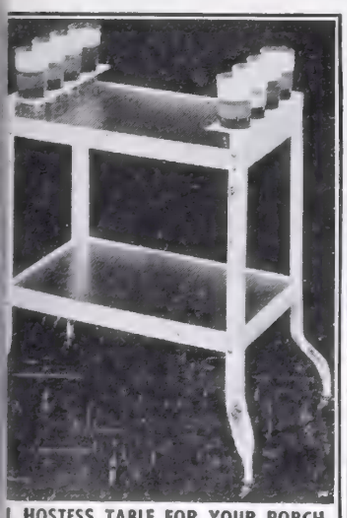
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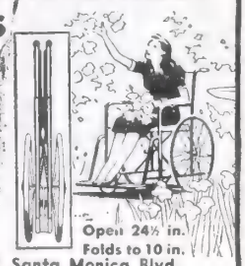
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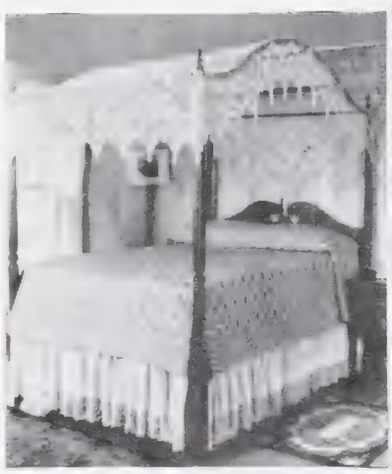
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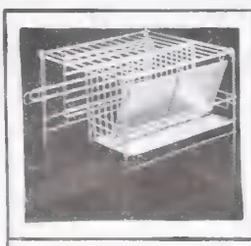
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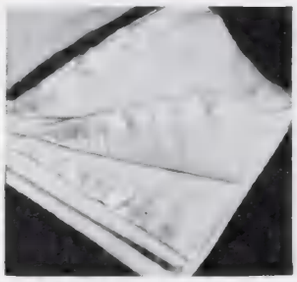
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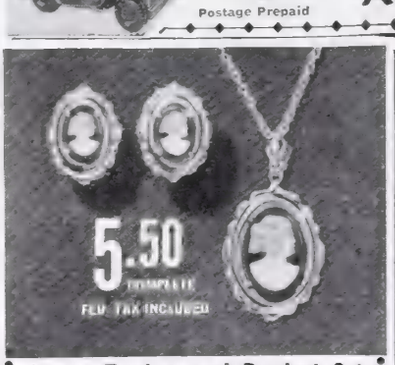
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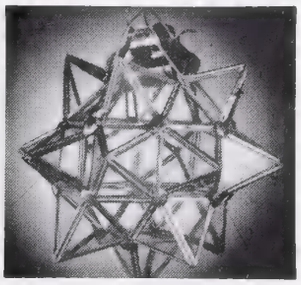
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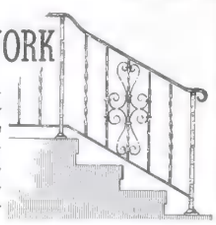


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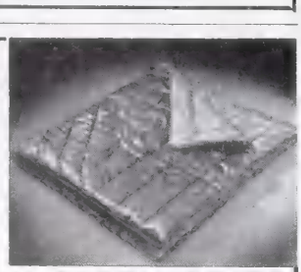
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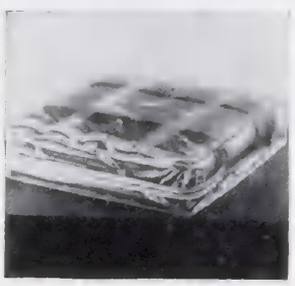
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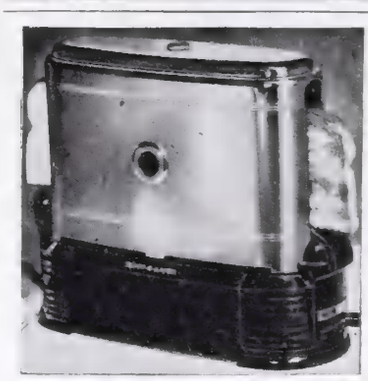
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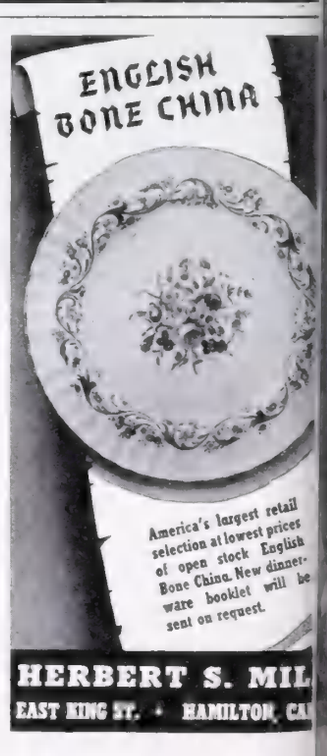
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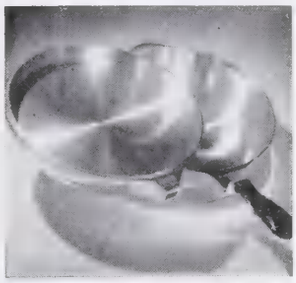
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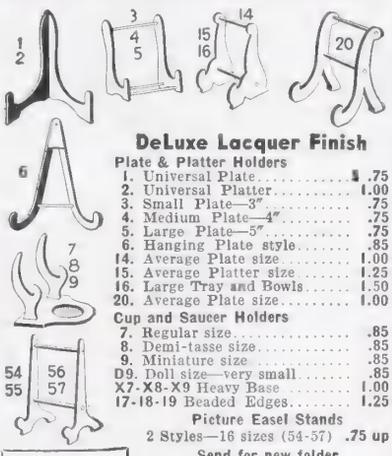


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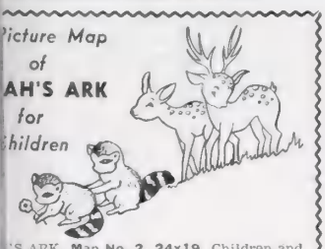
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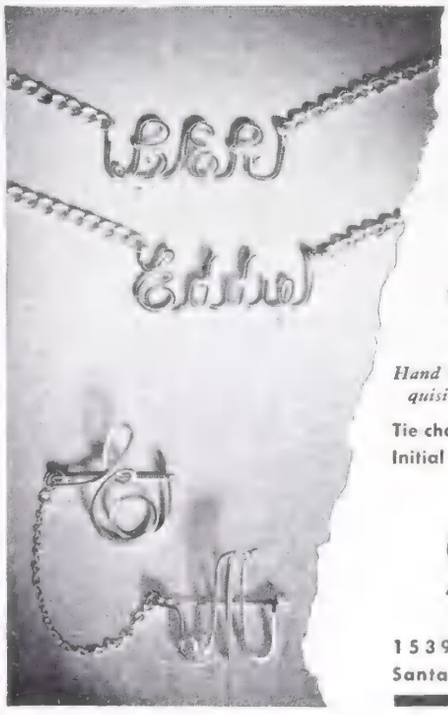


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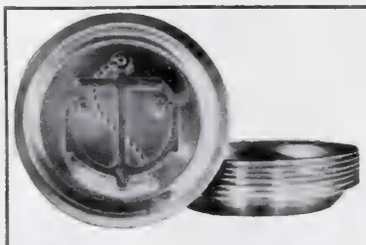
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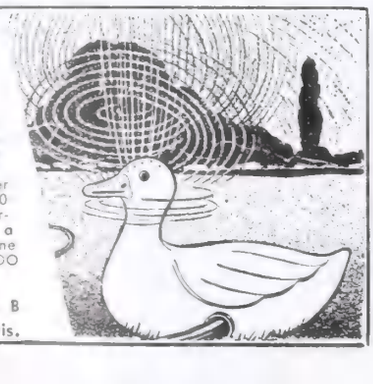
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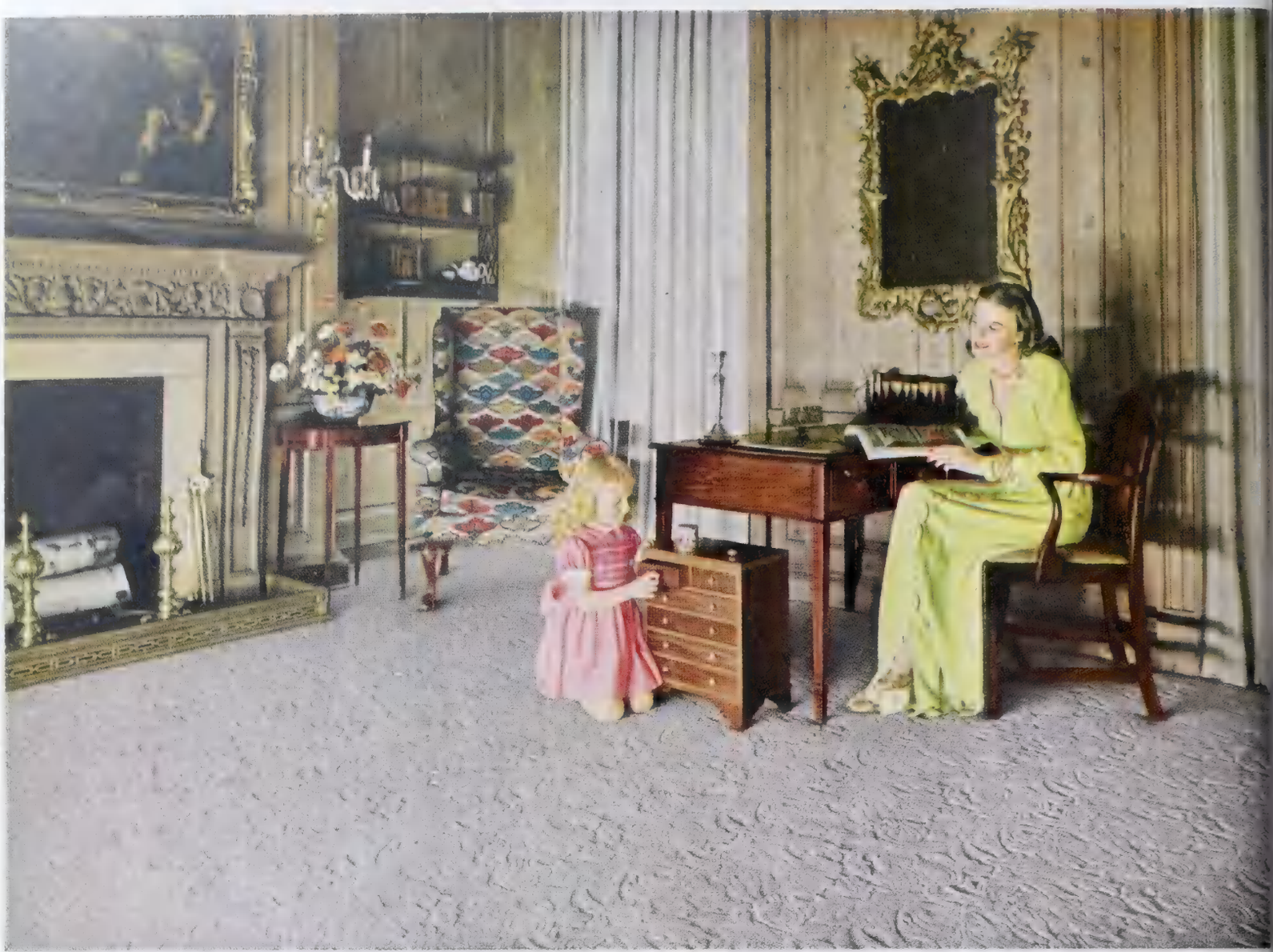
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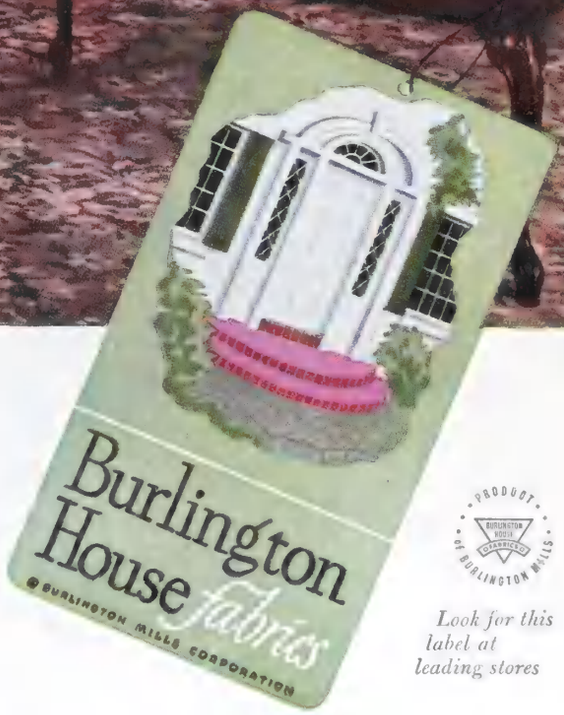
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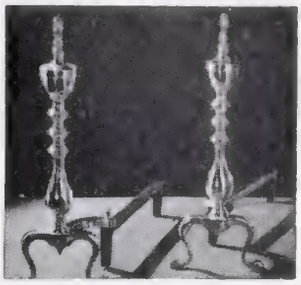
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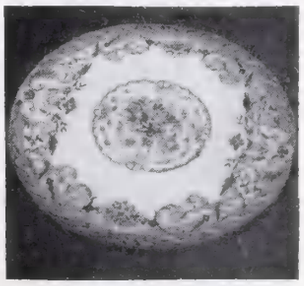
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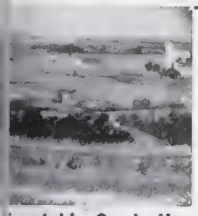
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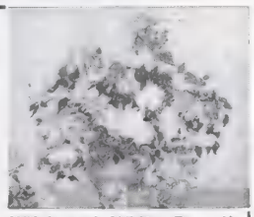
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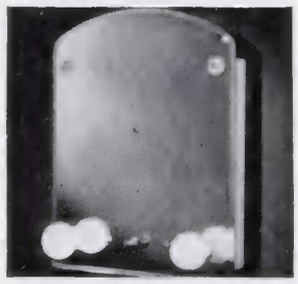
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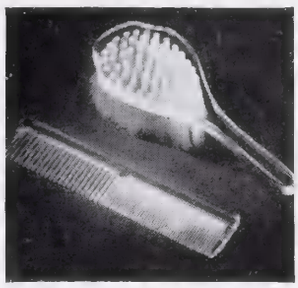
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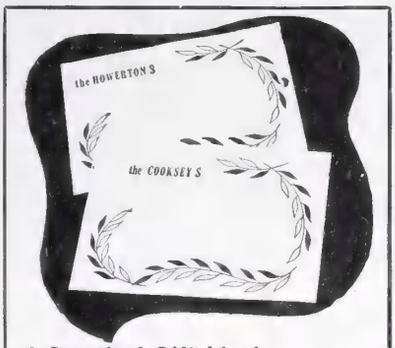
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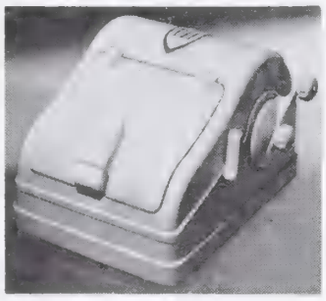


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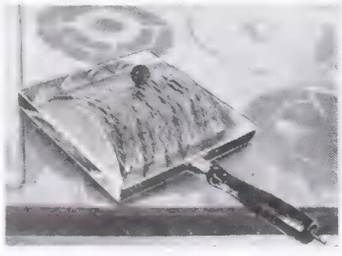
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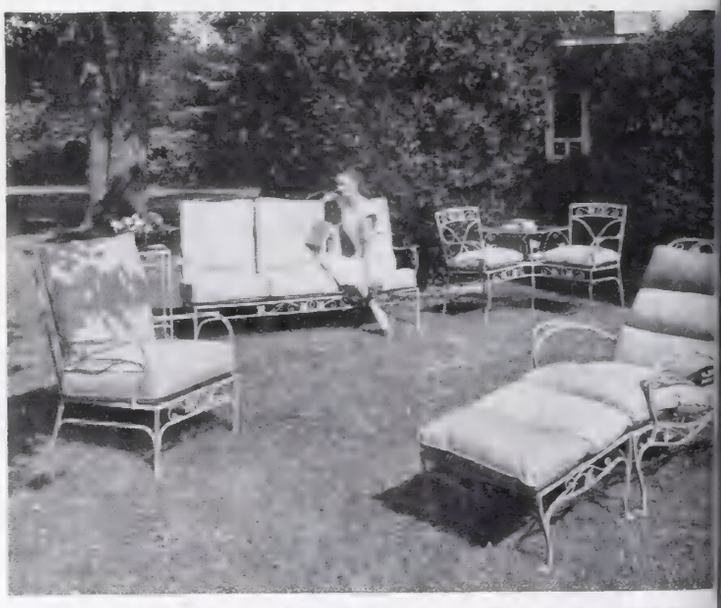
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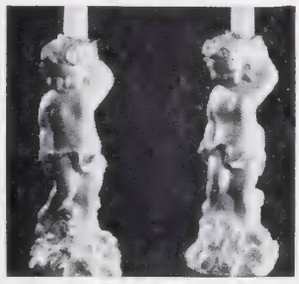
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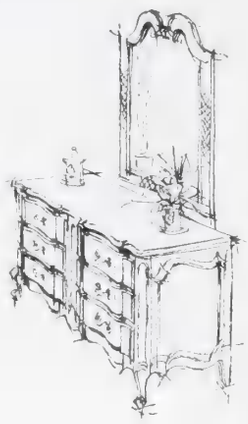
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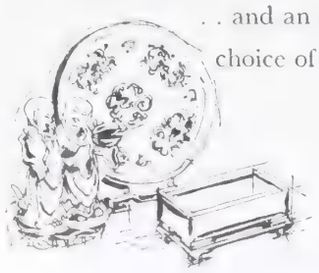
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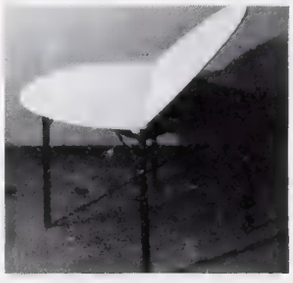
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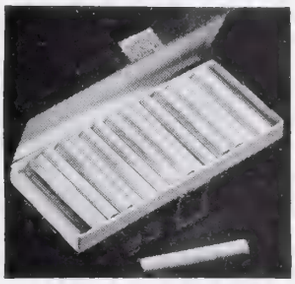


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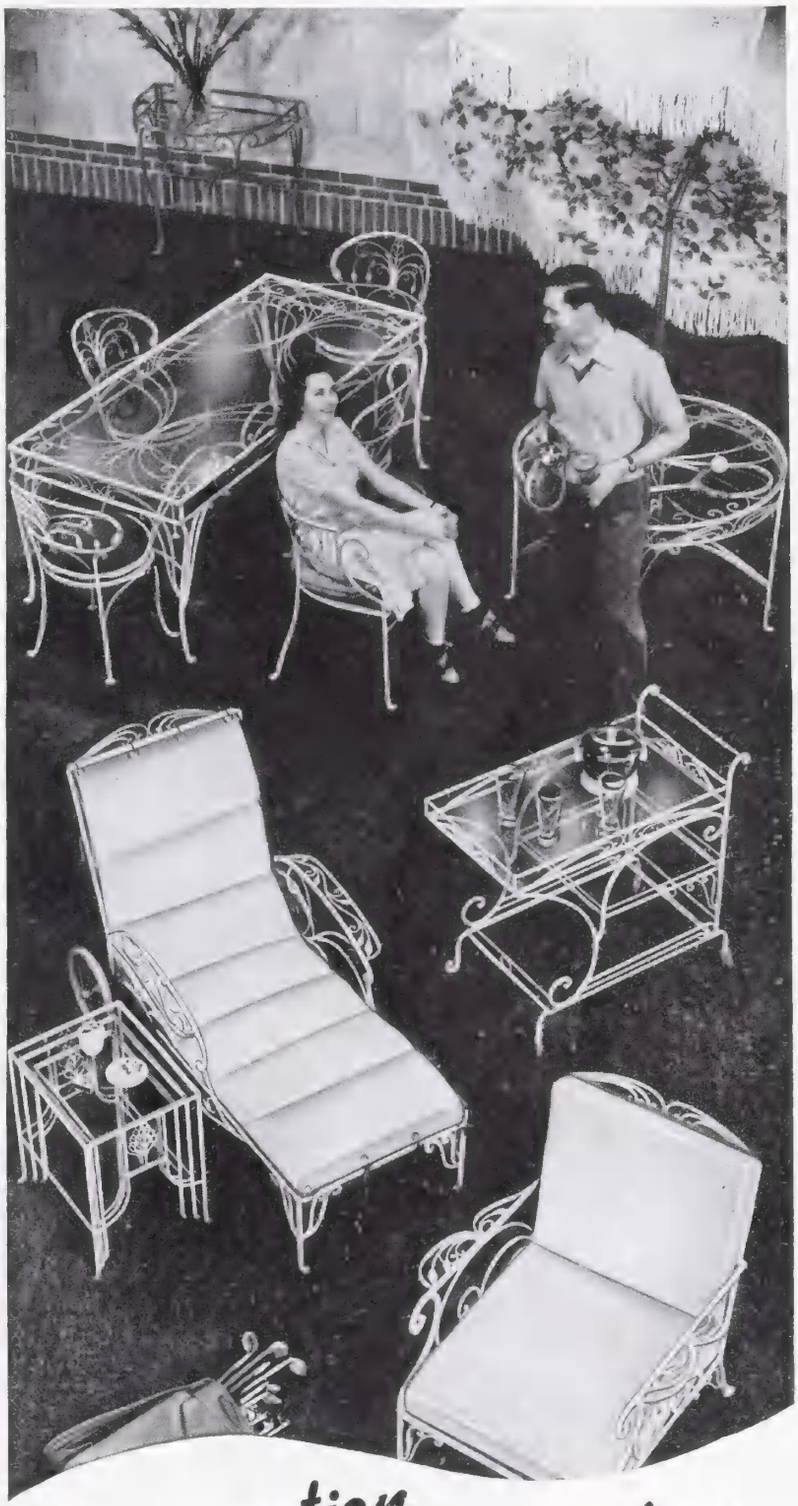
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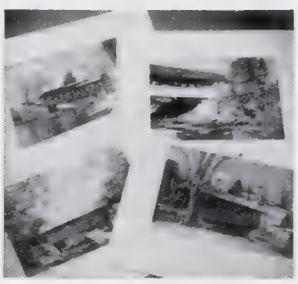
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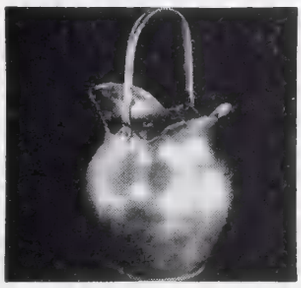
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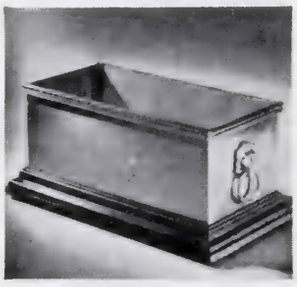
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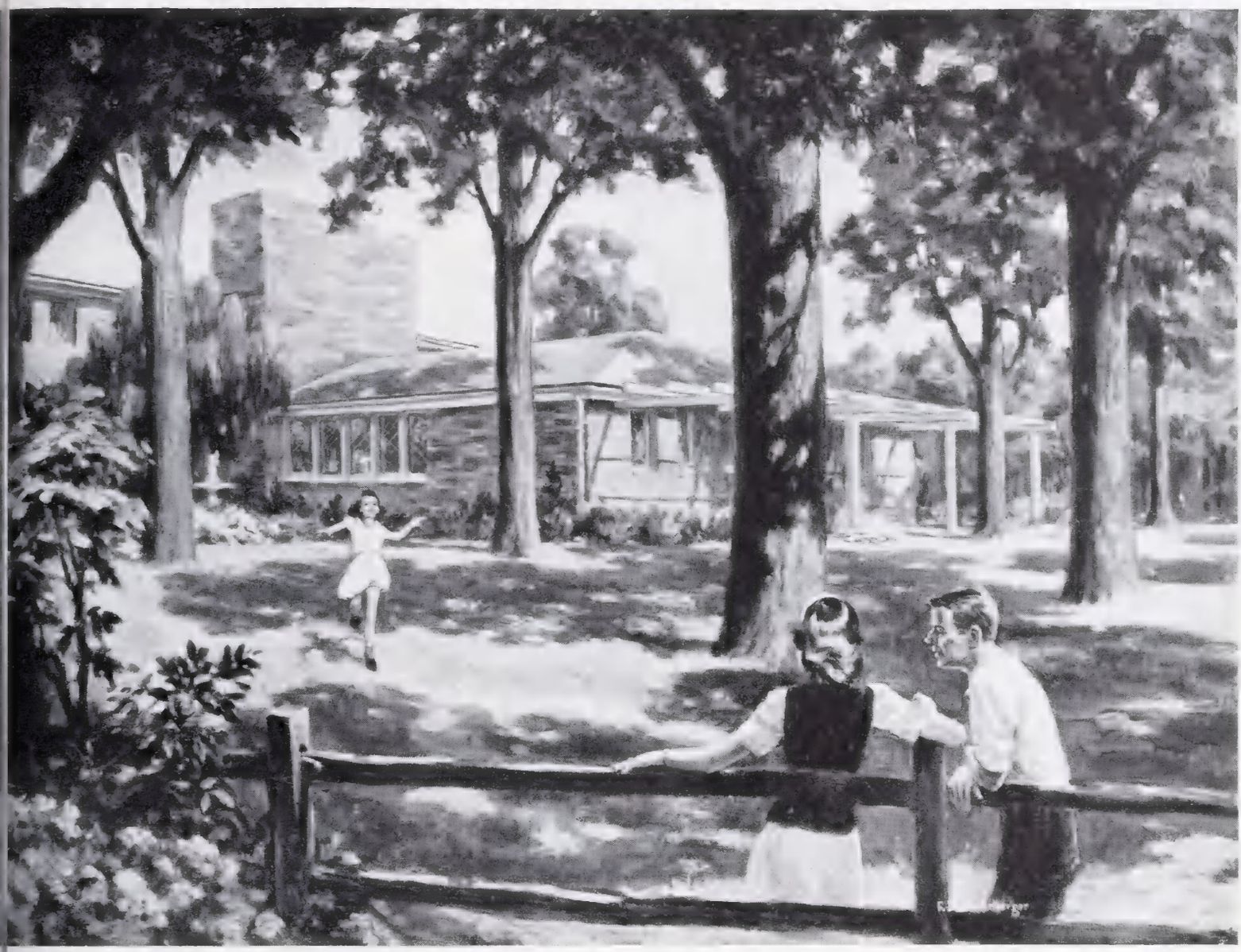
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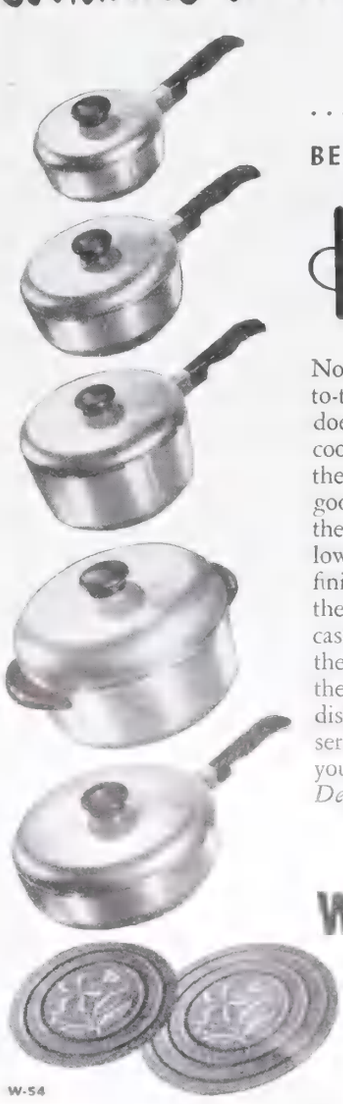
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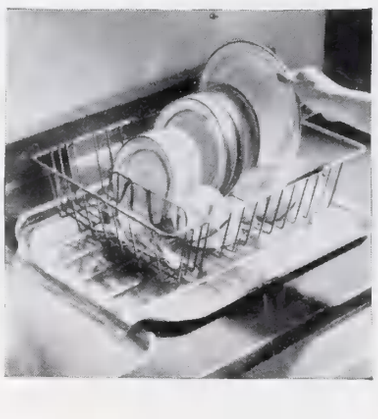
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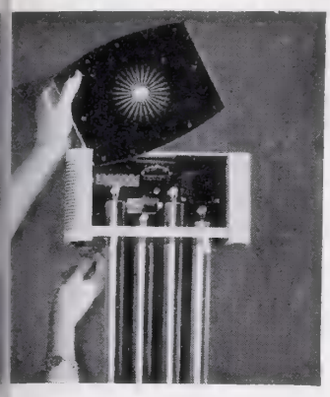
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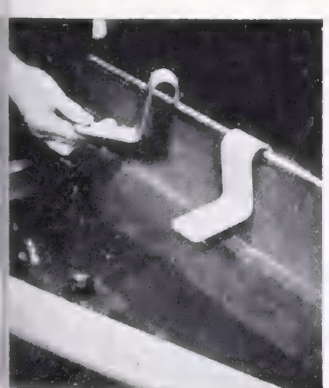




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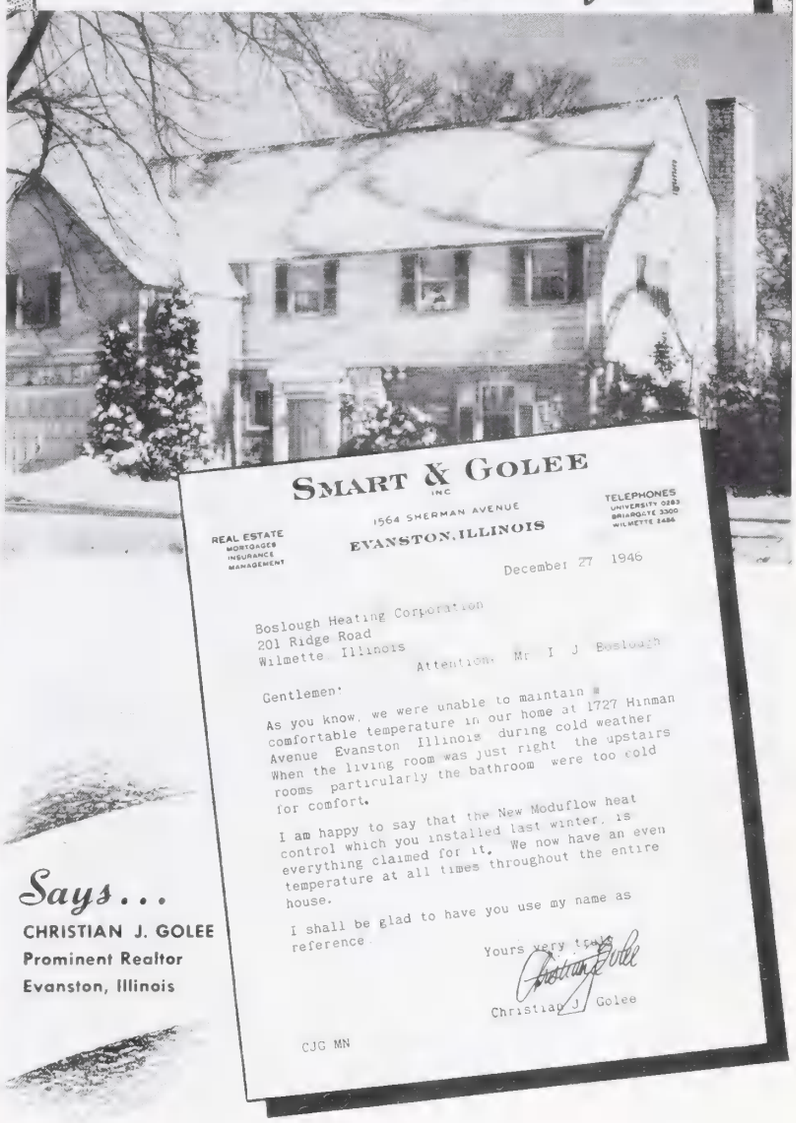




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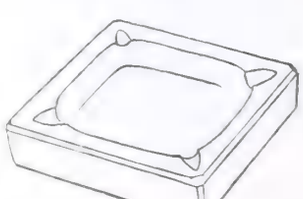
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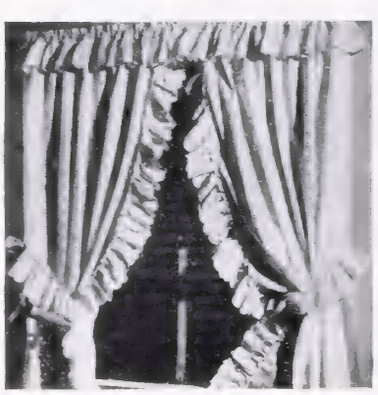




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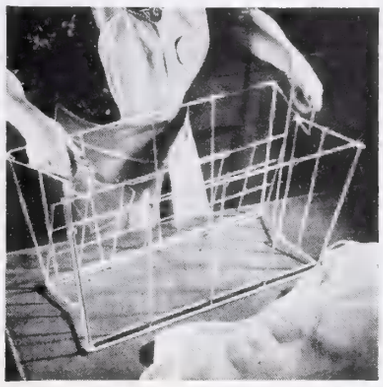


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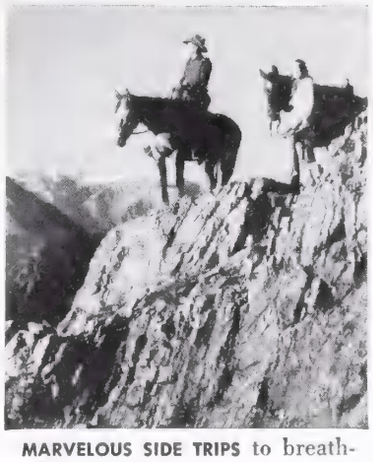
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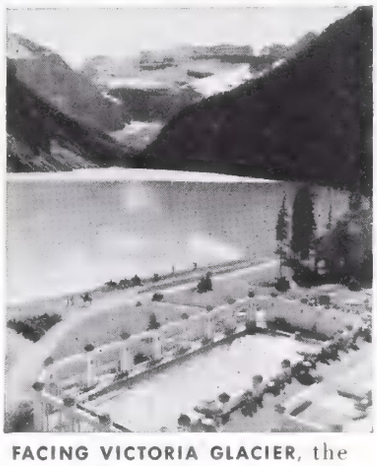
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How To Leave Home *and* LIKE IT

by Harry Price

If you're a normal sort of person, you'll travel longer distances this year, make your stay short wherever you go, and go more places and do more things. At least that's what most forecasts of travel trends portend for this year.

Luxury accommodations, the "glamour" places, small resorts, tourist camps, and tourist gateway stops are the only ones that underwent any revision of prices following the removal of OPA rent ceilings, so that in the main hotel accommodations will not prove much more costly than you anticipated if you did your travel budgeting earlier in the year.

New Travel Offerings

The Pacific Coast and the Western national parks have zoomed suddenly into heavy demand; and off-season and longer vacations are indicated in the requests for reservations in Canada, Mexico, the West Indies, and Latin America.

As was predicted earlier in HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, travel to Europe is on the upswing, although the U. S. State Department and Ralph T. Reed, president of the American Express Company, bolster the warning: 'Don't go! Don't try to go unless you have confirmation of your reservations, and unless you definitely have secured your return passage to the United States."

Events in Europe

But the resumption of the England to France (Southampton-Le Havre) steamship service, return of Holland-America Line's "Veendam" to service, the United States Lines' scheduling of thirteen regular North Atlantic sailings for their famous "America," all give ample indication of the trend to Europe. These sailings run through October.

Once again you can enjoy the comforts and service of the French National Railways, through whose campaign in America, France is telling of her tourist plans—of the French Riviera festivals to be held in the early summer.

Shakespeare Festival

Britain has scheduled 36 outstanding events for late spring and summer, including the all-summer Shakespeare Festival at Stratford-on-Avon and the Edinburgh 1947 Festival of Music and Drama from August 24 to September 13. Sweden reports reservations pouring in. And if you've been one of the lucky ones, you'll have enjoyed one of the 10, 15, or 21 aerial tours to Switzerland that have been run in conjunction with American Express and Trans-World Airlines, with Saint Moritz, Davos-Platz, and Zermatt as points of interest. Swiss authorities announce enlarged plans for summer tourists.

Mediterranean Sailings

The Mediterranean is back in the travel picture with the announcement by American Export Lines of regular sailings by the "Saturnia," U. S. Army hospital ship during the war, now back in the running after reconversion to passenger traffic. Then there's a new passenger service, the African Olympian Line with the "Olympia" (the former U. S. Army transport "Puebla"), which has been fully reconditioned. It carries 650 passengers, first class and tourist only.

Except for the French Riviera, some North-African ports, and Egypt, generally speaking, Mediterranean travel still is a big question mark. The "Olympia" has Naples and Piraeus as regular ports of call, and sometimes puts in at Marseilles. Since tourist travel in Italy and Greece is a thumbs-down proposition right now, it would be better to wait.

The Atlantic and Pacific Coasts

Canadian Pacific Steamships soon will put twelve of their newly converted "Princess" passenger vessels into the Pacific Coast and Alaska coastal runs, and the Seaway Line of Jacksonville, Florida, has added Gardenas, Cuba, as a new port of call in the West Indies.

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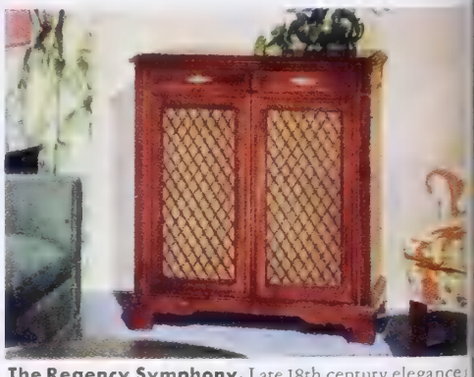
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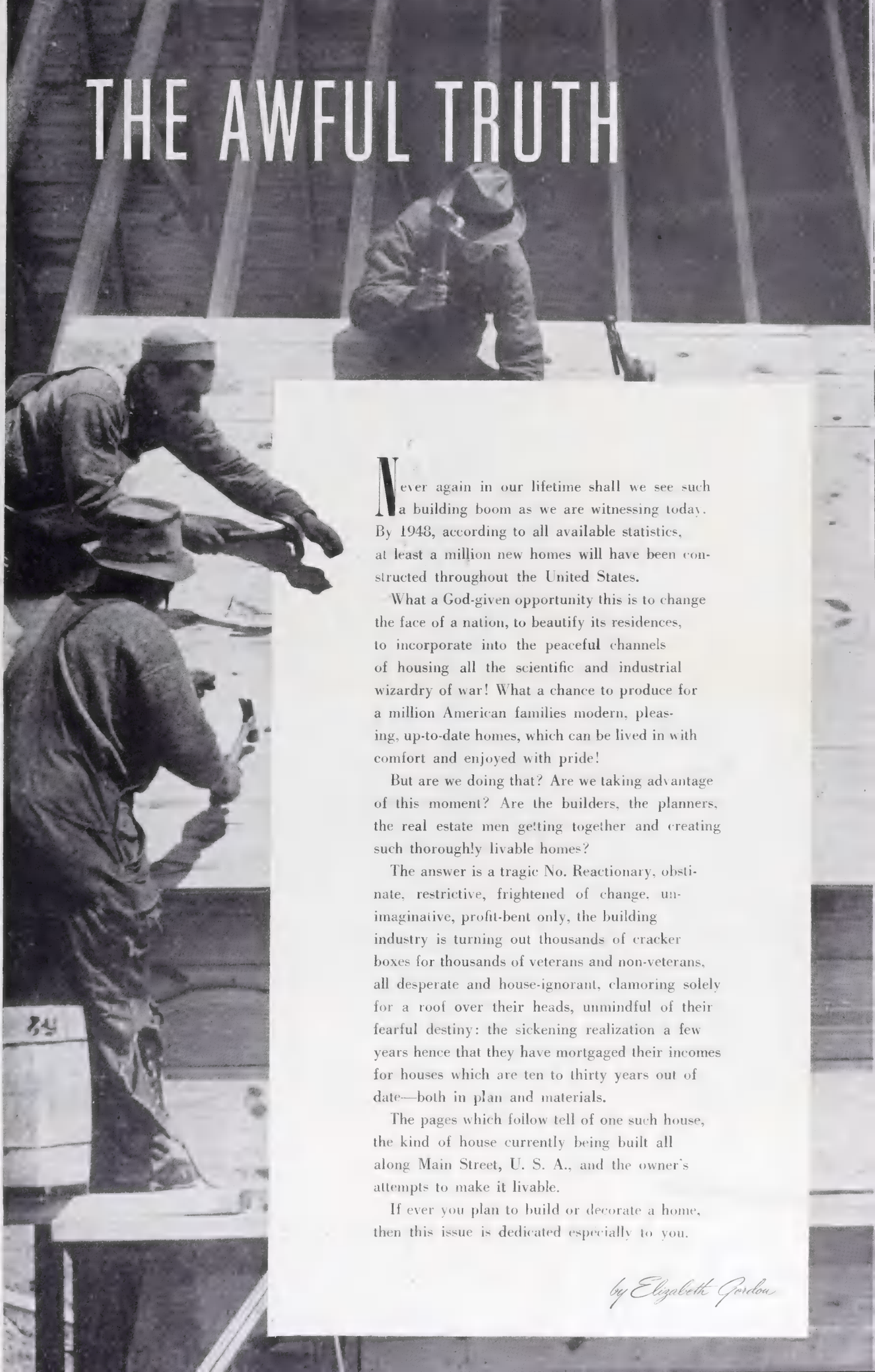


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THE AWFUL TRUTH



Never again in our lifetime shall we see such a building boom as we are witnessing today. By 1948, according to all available statistics, at least a million new homes will have been constructed throughout the United States.

What a God-given opportunity this is to change the face of a nation, to beautify its residences, to incorporate into the peaceful channels of housing all the scientific and industrial wizardry of war! What a chance to produce for a million American families modern, pleasing, up-to-date homes, which can be lived in with comfort and enjoyed with pride!

But are we doing that? Are we taking advantage of this moment? Are the builders, the planners, the real estate men getting together and creating such thoroughly livable homes?

The answer is a tragic No. Reactionary, obstinate, restrictive, frightened of change, unimaginative, profit-bent only, the building industry is turning out thousands of cracker boxes for thousands of veterans and non-veterans, all desperate and house-ignorant, clamoring solely for a roof over their heads, unmindful of their fearful destiny: the sickening realization a few years hence that they have mortgaged their incomes for houses which are ten to thirty years out of date—both in plan and materials.

The pages which follow tell of one such house, the kind of house currently being built all along Main Street, U. S. A., and the owner's attempts to make it livable.

If ever you plan to build or decorate a home, then this issue is dedicated especially to you.

by Elizabeth Gordon

PHOTOGRAPH BY CHARLES PHELPS CUSHING



THE HOUSE *and* HARD TIMES OF A VETERAN

WHY THIS STORY IS IMPORTANT **Building a house, no matter *who* you are or *when* you build, is a complicated undertaking. For beginners it is often a disastrous experience, because they go into the venture with no more thought and preparation than if they were buying groceries. Young married people are the most vulnerable, because they have so little idea of what a *good* house ought to be. As householders, their experience is limited to apartments or old, rented houses. Since the majority of home buyers, particularly of small houses, are in this age group, they retard progress. Because they don't know what they *ought* to ask for, they ask for too little —in plans, materials, site planning. Consequently, no consumer pressure for progress is put on contractors and speculative builders to improve houses. As a result, most new houses are not noticeably better than old ones. This has always been so—even before the housing shortage—but more than ever it is so now. The case of this young couple points up many of the troubles of home building. Their story is not new, unfortunately—only exaggerated by the times. The blame belongs to everybody: to them for their naive ignorance, to their contractor for his subterfuges and dishonesty, to the bank and the Veterans Administration for okaying such an archaic building venture, to the well-meaning but bungling OPA, and the government policy that produced black marketing. Because you shouldn't have to build one bad house before you can build a *good* house, as legend maintains is necessary, we hope you will read this story carefully.**

By Marva and Lloyd Shearer

The picture on the opposite page is completely deceiving. It shows a young couple and child apparently happy, content, and at peace with the world.

Nothing could be further from the truth. We know, because we're that young couple. At the time the photograph was made we were hurt, heartbroken, and violently disgusted with the building industry of America. We were disgusted with ourselves for having played "fall guys" in a bad business deal. We had been "taken" by a series of people and institutions. What hurt most—we felt like the prize suckers of all time.

Luckily, we are wiser now. We have learned that home-building should never be undertaken without a competent lawyer at one elbow and the best professional designing advice you can buy at the other. We have also learned that you shouldn't try to build a house until you know what a *good* house *ought* to be. Unless customers, like you and us, know more and ask for more, the building industry will continue foisting obsolete cracker boxes upon us. For *we* really call the tune. Our story is proof.

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PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER

THIS HOUSE COST $3,800 TO BUILD IN 1939

This house is identical with thousands of stucco cracker boxes constructed in Southern California during the 1930's, and still being built today by the thousands. In 1946 and 1947, desperate families like the Shearers are having to pay as much as $10,000 for such ill-planned, undistinguished, obsolete quarters. In eight years, the price of this "stock" bungalow has risen approximately 263 per cent, while the quality of the workmanship and materials has declined decidedly. Though this stock plan has been repeated by the thousands, and maybe hundreds of thousands, the building system found no way to employ mass production to lower costs.

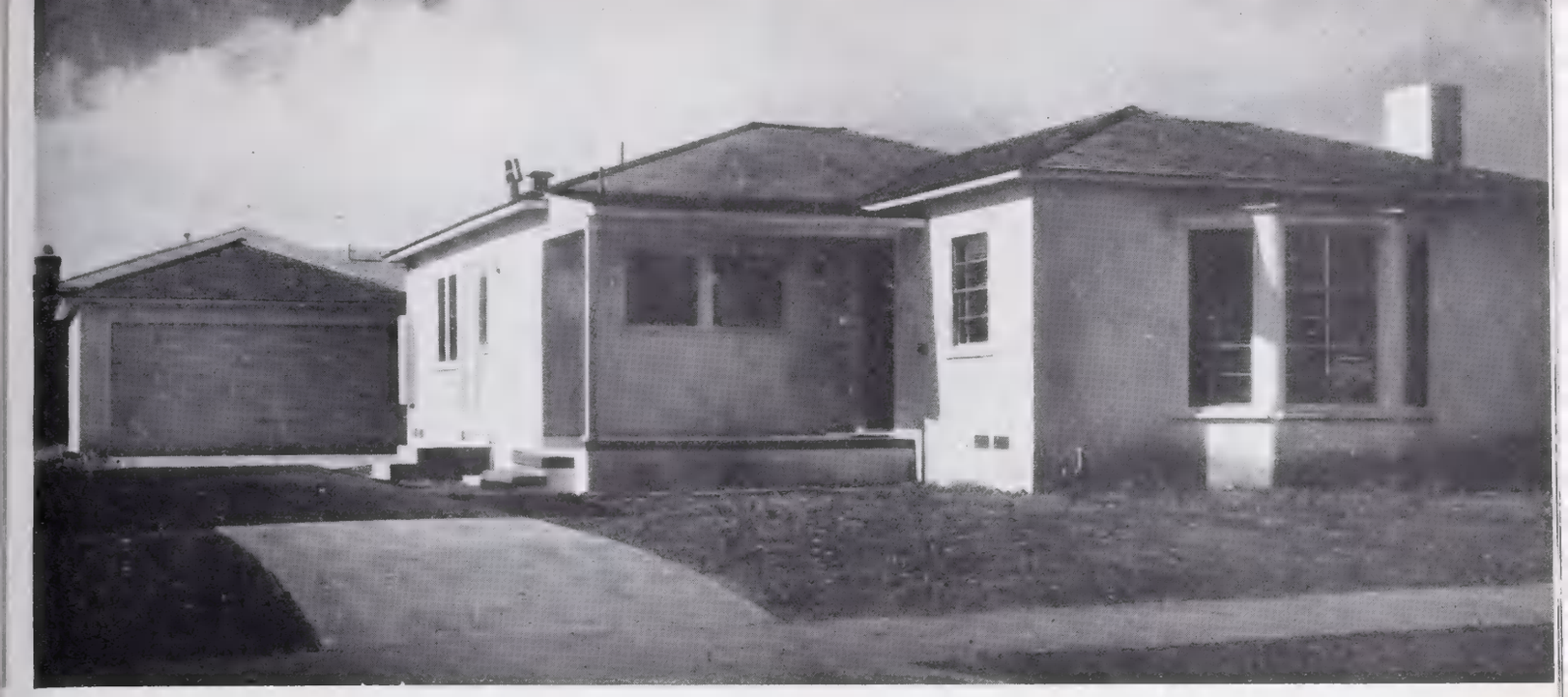
by Marva Shearer

NOTHING HAS BEEN ADDED BUT THE PRICE

We knew that 1946 was the worst possible time to build a home. Materials were scarce, inflation was rampant, the real estate market had run amok, particularly in Los Angeles, where, within two years, the selling price of the average residential lot had zoomed from $800 to $3,400.

And yet what else was there for us to do? We had been married three years. Our baby was on the way. In the Army we had always lived in furnished rooms, always on a temporary basis. Only in one place had we been able to cook our own meals. We had never unpacked our wedding presents, had never used our own china, glass, or silver. Our life, like our possessions, was being held in storage. Now, with our baby on the way, we were without even a place to cook to make formulas, to keep a bathinette. We were sick o eating every meal out, disgusted with paying bonuses fo nothing, and with black market rents. We were desperate We wanted a place—any place—no matter how small o simple. If the honest rental of a house (which would hav been the best thing for a just-starting young couple) wa an impossibility, then we would have to build or buy.

We looked at old houses—little ones with two bedrooms But they were so over-priced that the appraiser for th bank refused to okay any of them under the provisions o the G I Loan. Structures which cost $5,000 to build in 194



THIS HOUSE COST $9,700 TO BUILD IN 1946

This is the Shearer house, into which they moved in January of 1947. It is a classic example of less house for more money, of how badly we have bungled the handling of the greatest housing shortage in America's history. The lot on which the house is constructed is 52 x 100, too narrow even to permit an attached garage, and decidedly too narrow for privacy. No landscaping was included in the price, so it must be added. In addition to paying a completely inflationary price for the house, the Shearers also had to procure for their contractor stucco wire, nails, and plaster, for which *they* paid over and above the contract price.

were selling for as much as $19,000 and $21,000 in 1946.

While shopping for old houses, we saw in Culver City, a small municipality in the southwest corner of the county, the house shown on top of the opposite page. We asked the owner, Mrs. Wales, about it and she told us it was built in 1939 at a cost of $3,800, including lot and landscaping.

It was then we decided to build a house. Little did we realize what that decision entailed in grief, misunderstanding, heartache, and trouble. We assumed that building a house was similar to ordering a custom-made suit of clothes. We didn't know that the laws of *caveat emptor* apply with a vengeance to the home-building act, and you need a special education before you know what they're talking about.

"If we could get something like the Wales house built quickly in time for the baby," we thought, "for about $5,000, it might not be such a bad deal. As a veteran family, we would not have to put down any money, and the monthly charges might only be something like $26. True, we would be getting just a cracker box, but it would be a home."

We asked Mrs. Wales for the name of her contractor. She gave it to us. Anxiously we drove to the office of a man whom we shall call fictitiously Peter Crane. We explained to him that we were expecting a baby and asked if he could build for us within six months the kind of small, two-bedroom house Mrs. Wales had. "Of course," he said expansively, "I can build it in much less time than that. I can build you that same beautiful home inside of 120 days." (That was May 1946.) Our hearts smiled. "Only," he added, "it will cost you $10,000, $1,500 for the lot and $8,500 for the house. Things come pretty high these days, you know."

Before we could collect our thoughts, Mr. Crane reached under his counter and came up with a set of stock plans. (See pages 106-7) "These are the plans for the house," he continued. "They're all drawn up and they're foolproof. Just think of the money you're saving. If you went to an architect and he drew up these same plans, he'd charge you a thousand bucks. This way they only cost you $75. Take them to the bank and if the fellows down there okay your application for a G I loan, we'll really go to town."

Ignorant, panicky, inexcusably stupid, we followed his suggestion. Two sets of plans in hand, we trotted down to the bank, paid $25 for an appraisal, signed all sorts of papers. The bank okayed our application for a $9,700 loan, the maximum at which the Veterans Administration appraiser valued the house, and Mr. Crane contracted to accept $1,500 for his lot and $8,200 to build our house within 120 days.

"Are you positive," we asked Mr. Crane, "that you can finish in four months? Have you all the materials? If you haven't, tell us and we'll cancel the whole deal." (*Text continued on page 158. More pictures on following pages*)

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Stock plans are MURDER

Below is the original plan, for 1,100 sq. ft., sold to us by our contractor. It is known as a "stock plan," which means that it has been used over and over again by suckers like us, without any regard to lot, terrain, scenery, direction of the sun or prevailing winds, individual taste, or any of the other varied factors which make homes individual and personal and better than an apartment.

Despite the fact that we were so green at this house business that we didn't know a good plan from a bad one, we at least had the sense to know we didn't know. And we were lucky enough to have an architect friend who saw that we were heading for trouble. He started to "butt in," as he put it, to save us from ourselves.

Are we thankful that he did! For one look at those stock plans and their empty, loose specifications and he got really serious.

"This old dog of a plan," he said, "is notorious around Los Angeles. Contractors have been using it for 20 years. There are probably several hundred thousand houses built from it. Yet it's 20 years out of date, and observes none of the newer principles of home designing that we have come to accept as necessary for today's living. It wastes space on unnecessary halls, hasn't enough closets, and a dozen other things are wrong. Both the bank and Veterans Administration ought to be ashamed to okay such a plan." And he shook his head. "Sometimes I think the banks try to hold up housing progress so their outstanding loans on old houses will not deteriorate in value by contrast with really improved new houses."

We understood better what he meant, after he showed us what was the matter with our plan. At that point our concrete foundation had been poured, so he couldn't do anything to alter either the placing on the lot (which he wou'd have liked to do) or the exterior walls. His improvements had to be limited to interior partitions.

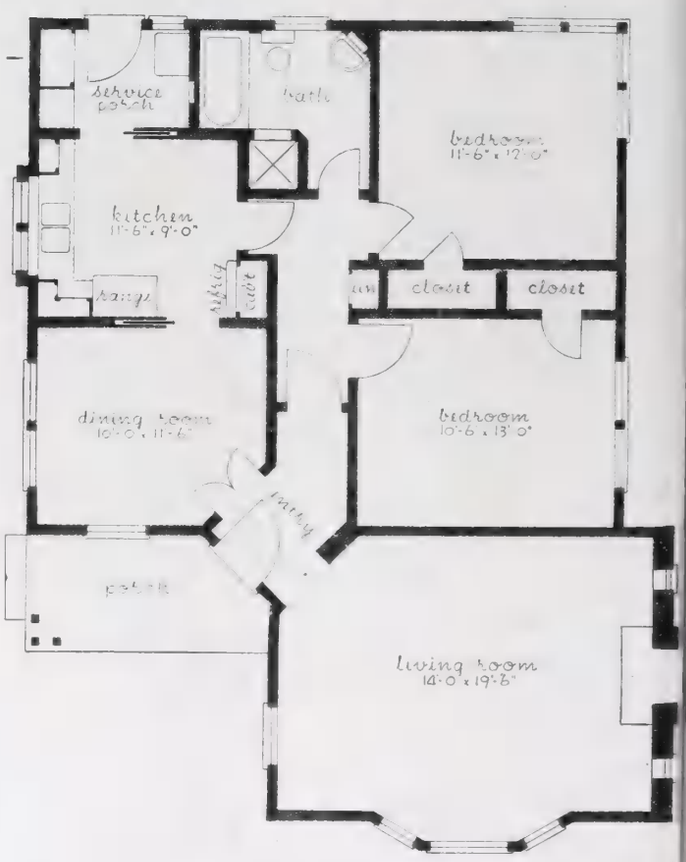
Our friend pointed out the plan's major flaws. There were not nearly enough closets, just one in each bedroom, and no other storage space at all. The four-foot wide old-fashioned hall which ran through the center of the house was a complete waste of space, because "who lives in a hall?" The dinette was too small, hardly fit to be called a room, and a further waste of space, because "how much time do you spend eating?" The windows on either side of the fireplace in the living room served no purpose whatever, since they were too small to let in much light or air. One of the bedrooms had only one exposure, and both of them were too small. The garage, detached from the rest of the house, cut up unnecessarily our already small lot. In short, pretty nearly every room, from a standpoint of comfort and livableness, was unbelievably botched.

At this point, we both felt like crawling into a hole and dying

"And that's not all," our friend continued, waving a sheaf of specifications in front of our faces. "These so-called specifications are not worth the paper they're

The plan the Shearers

ALMOST built



This plan cost us $75, but it isn't worth anything. It was posed to save us the fee an architect would charge. We k now an architect's fee is cheap insurance against costly mista

by Lloyd Shearer

If you think you save money with a stock plan you're crazy. Cheap things are the most expensive in the long run, as we found out to our sorrow. Our bad stock plan was much improved, but it could have been vastly better

written on. They don't specify anything. In this business, they're called 'loose.' They say nothing. They give the contractor the right to use practically any kind of material he chooses. God!" he moaned, "What have you kids done?"

Our frightened faces told him the truth. But since he's a man of compassion, he sympathized. "Without changing the shape of the house or altering the total square footage, I'll try to make this cracker box livable for you. Only promise me one thing: You will never build another house without knowing more about what you're doing."

We gave our word, and our friend went to work.

The improved plan below is what he turned out.

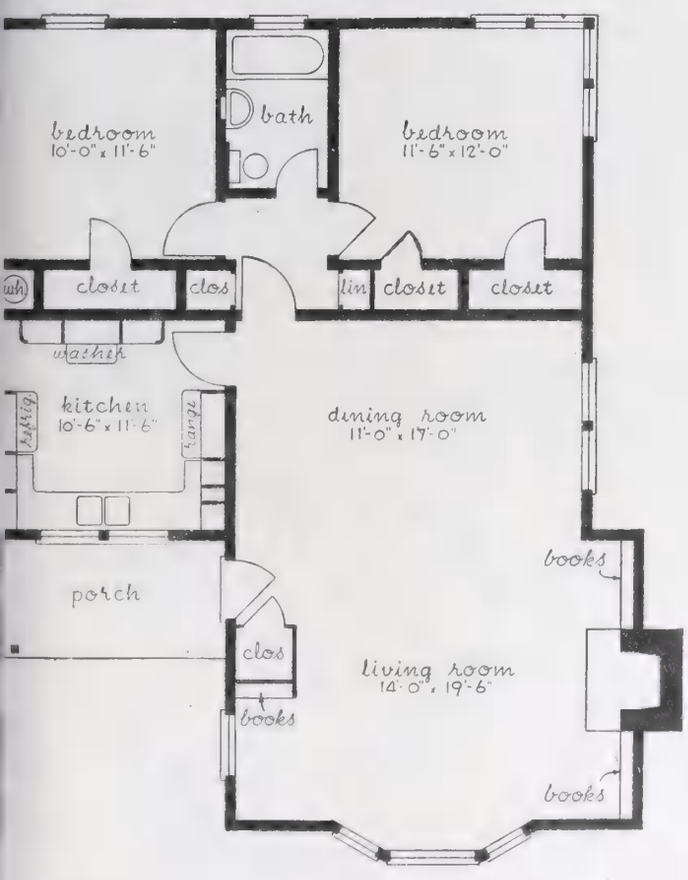
Whatever comfort we have in our house today we owe to this modified plan. It's still 1,100 sq. ft., but it corrects, in so far as could be corrected without altering the outside shape or square footage, most of the major errors of the original plan.

The hall has been eliminated and absorbed into the living space of the house. Instead of having a small dinette and a small living room, the wall between the living room and the bedroom has been taken out, thus making one large combination living and dining room—a honey of a handsome, big room.

The kitchen has been moved to the front of the house, and the rear has been divided into two bedrooms separated by the bathroom. One bedroom has two large closets and the other has one. There is another closet for storage in the small foyer and also a linen closet. These closets act as soundproofing between sleeping and living quarters. There is a coat closet in the living room, and the kitchen utilizes every spare inch for storage space. Every room in the house now has two exposures.

Nothing was done to the garage because nothing could be. The lot wasn't wide enough to bring it up close to the house and attach it in the modern manner.

The modified plan that made a better house



he vastly improved floor plan, which makes our house so much better inside than out. Revisions saved much construction work. o saved us much money. Improvements were easy and obvious.

All these changes simplified the house plan and, consequently, its construction. This added up to savings in building materials and labor. The revised plan straightened out partitions which jogged in and out or turned cater-corners, and eliminated 315 square feet of interior wall construction. This meant less lumber, less plaster, less wood trim, fewer doors, less paint, paper, etc. It meant less time and labor for construction and finishing, for laying and fitting the flooring, wiring, painting, etc. It reduced the kitchen flooring needed from 102 square feet to 90 square feet, bathroom tile flooring from 48 square feet to 28 square feet. It eliminated three small windows, their frames and labor of installation. It eliminated two sliding doors and the tricky wall construction necessary for them.

When we brought this modified plan to our contractor and told him that this was how we wanted things built, he replied with a line which was as stock as his plans, "It can't be done." This turned into an old refrain.

No matter what we suggested, (*Continued on page* 157)

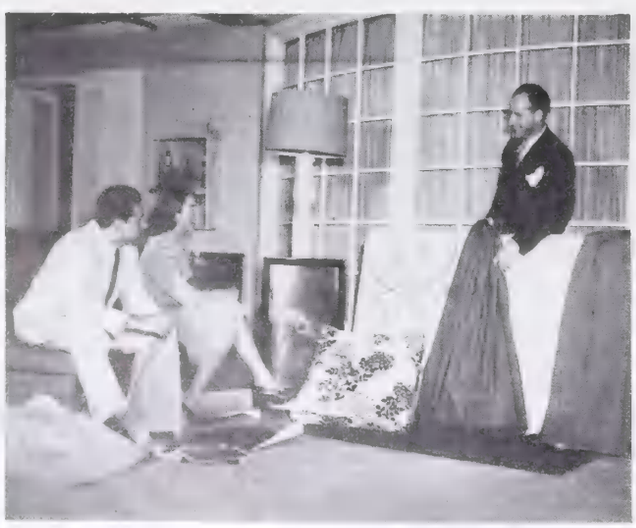
From Hades to Heaven

The silver lining to our dark cloud was our experience in furnishing and decorating our G I loan-covered cracker box. If the building industry had as sound a plan of mutual co-ordination as that from which we benefited in the furnishing industry, how different our house would be! We hope our happy experience in putting our furnishings together will help others to the same success.

By Marva Shearer

We hope you won't be confused, but now our story does a complete flip-flop; changes from villainy to sweetness and light. For the furnishing and equipping of our first home is a remarkable example of what American business firms *can* do by working together for the benefit of the customer—when they want to put their minds on it.

For all our furnishings were bought from a "co-ordinated merchandise package," all parts of which had been styled to go together, in thousands of different foolproof combinations, so that even dumb beginners like Skippy and me couldn't make very many mistakes.



The Shearers shopping last July for their Guild furnishings.

But here I am, getting ahead of my story.

I should say, first, that we were lucky in having a decent sum of money for buying our furnishings. We had the savings of three years of married life. Even though we were tempted, during those drab years in furnished rooms, to fling our money away on short-lived, compensatory gestures like night clubs and clothes, we restrained ourselves. We even did things to earn extra money to swell our furnishings budget. Now the time had come and we were determined to do a good job, to buy nice things of permanent value, and to have a beautiful home that would heal the scars of the years when we couldn't even be decently hospitable to our friends. In a small way we had something in common with oil heiresses and sweepstakes winners—money. Enough to furnish tastefully and with quality a five-room house! We had already decided to spend more on our furnishings, proportionately, than the price of our house indicated, because of the severe inflation in building costs.

But money isn't a guarantee of success, as we soon found out.

The minute we had a floor plan, I started to shop. I had been warned of, and expected, difficulty in finding well-built, life-time furniture in these postwar times of shortages. But what I experienced was something of quite different character. I discovered that the real trouble in decorating a house was to find things that could be assembled well. There were plenty of things to buy, but they didn't match or mate. Soon I learned that it was easier for Jason to spot the Golden Fleece than for me to track down upholstered pieces that tied in with wall-paper; draperies that would blend with carpets; or lamps that "went with" any part of the ensemble. Even the apparently simple task of choosing a patterned fabric and a plain fabric that would live together happily was beyond my ability and my experience.

I see now that it has always been so—with people of all ages, experience, and (*Continued on page 111*)

(*Continued from page 108*) income. I assumed, then, it was just my greenhorn ignorance. But older married couples tell us that the big trouble in achieving good decorating is finding the right component parts that will fit together into a pleasing whole. Plenty of good things are available, but the trick is to bring the right ones together.

After I had wasted a lot of time going from store to store and getting more and more confused, a kind friend informed me that my shopping tactics were outmoded.

"You can furnish your entire house in two or three days by simply patronizing a store that carries a co-ordinated group of merchandise."

"And where can one find such a store?" I asked skeptically.

"There are more and more of them every year. And I know for sure that Bonynge's in Oakland carries a co-ordinated package called Grand Rapids Furniture Makers Guild."

I investigated and discovered Paradise. I found that a group of nine furniture manufacturers had got together and so designed their merchandise that each line was correlated with the others. But that was only the beginning.

Under the direction of a design co-ordinator named Everett Brown, manufacturers of other things besides furniture had joined in the mutual planning. One paint company, one wallpaper company, five fabric manufacturers, three lamp makers, a carpet company, and even makers of trimmings and leather participated. Altogether 30 manufacturers agreed on 15 basic colors, so that Erin Green meant the same shade of green to all of them. Their furniture, lamps, rugs, and draperies were all in perfect harmony on counts of color, style, and suitability. For outsize tables they offered outsize lamps. For upholstered bedheads they offered bedspreads and pillows to match. Their selections of merchandise and colors were as near perfect as possible.

It sounds incredible, I know, but in three days at Bonynge's we selected and ordered all our furnishings. This not only meant tremendous savings in time and temper, but also an opportunity for the man of the family to approve every purchase. He allotted three days of his valuable time to this concentrated buying job, during which (*Continued on page 157*)



Two chests pushed together fit snugly without an inch to spare, look far more important than if placed singly, had space permitted. To nomads like the Shearers, these are blissful answers to long-wanted, deeply appreciated storage.



Here, second of the pair of lacquered chests blocks in nurse's bed, will be used by her. A substantial step table, also in white, with separate space for the other one of the pair of lamps, leaves ample room for books, magazines.

The Shearers used

in the master bedroom

Mahogany chests from the Grand Rapids Chair Co. Bed from The Widdicomb Furniture Co. Upholstered chair from Ralph Morse Furniture Co. Bedding "Spring Air" from Wilson & Jensen. Chintz for draperies and wall back of bed from Cyrus Clark, Inc. Other fabrics from La France Industries. Lamps from Abels-Wasserberg Co. Mirror, Hart Mirror Plate Co.

in the baby's room

Lacquered chests and lamp table from The Widdicomb Furniture Co. The upholstered chair from Ralph Morse Furniture Co. "Spring Air" box spring and mattress from Wilson and Jensen. All fabrics from La France Industries. Lamps from Silvestri Art Mfg. Co. Wallpaper from Katzenbach and Warren.



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ONE WONDERFUL ROOM can take the curse off a cracker box

Our cramped little house would have been as sad inside as out if we hadn't been advised by our knowing architect friend to take out a partition and make one big living room out of two meager little ones. Now people exclaim over it, for it looks actually palatial



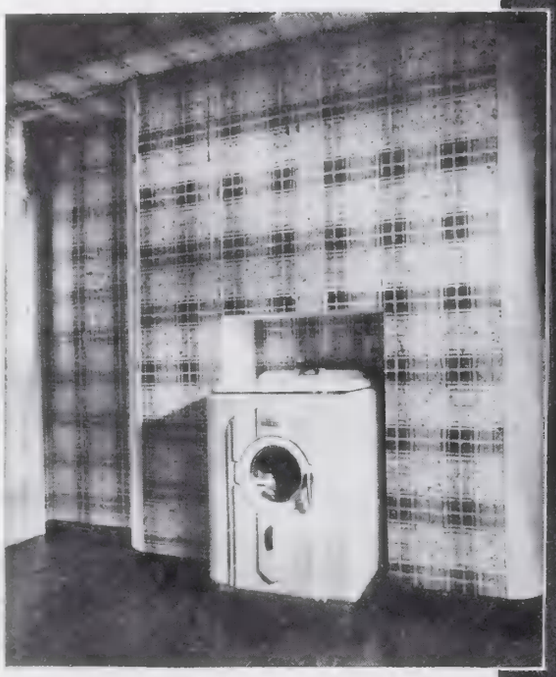




Above you see how the famous cubicle and sofa-bed fit into 9'8" of wall space like gears in a cog. This precision was all minutely planned beforehand, of course, and Marva claims it was worth all her troubles just to observe. She'll never buy a stick of furniture without first sizing up the dimensions of the room it's to go into. Door at right of cubicle opens from the porch.

Sketch at left explains how the closet is divided between open bookshelves and clothes storage. Space inside, under the bookshelves, is put to use with one shelf for umbrellas and another for overshoes. Overshoe shelf is raised a bit to eliminate usual closet-floor muddle. Closet cost $175 to build, bed base $85. To the Shearers they're worth about four extra rooms.

We wouldn't consider keeping house—and a baby—without an automatic washer. So we centered it on one wall, built in around it a huge utility closet with a section for a drop-down ironing board, shelves for finished ironing. Papered doors look like solid wall when closed.





We Wanted THE BEST in Kitchens

The builder's specifications provided only a sink, 5 ft. counter, and two dinky cupboards. So we took matters in our own hands. We're pretty pleased with the results. The kitchen is only about 10'6" x 11'6", but it's got everything, "laundry" and utility closet

The Shearers Used

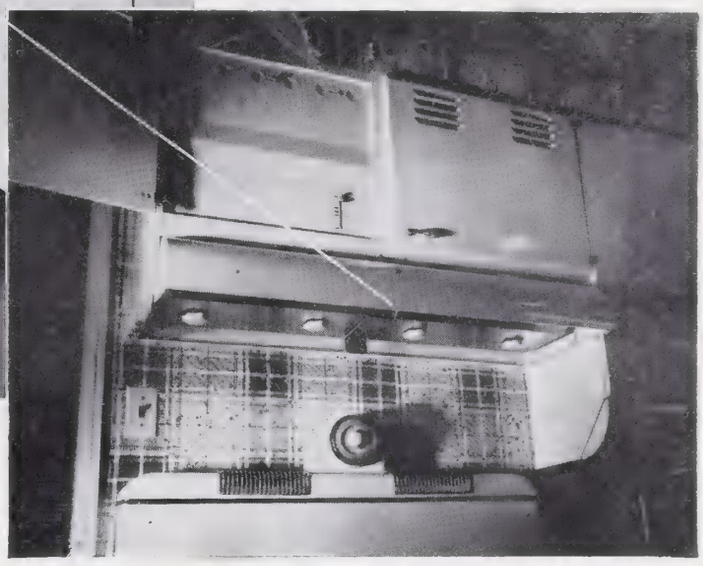
All cabinets, sink, refrigerator, crisper cabinet over it, air control unit over range, Servel, Inc. Gas range, George D. Roper Corp. Automatic washer, Bendix Home Appliances, Inc. Flooring, B. F. Goodrich's Koroseal, Sloane-Blabon Corp. Plastic surfaced wallpaper, LaVerne Originals. Curtains, plastic film Alrolite

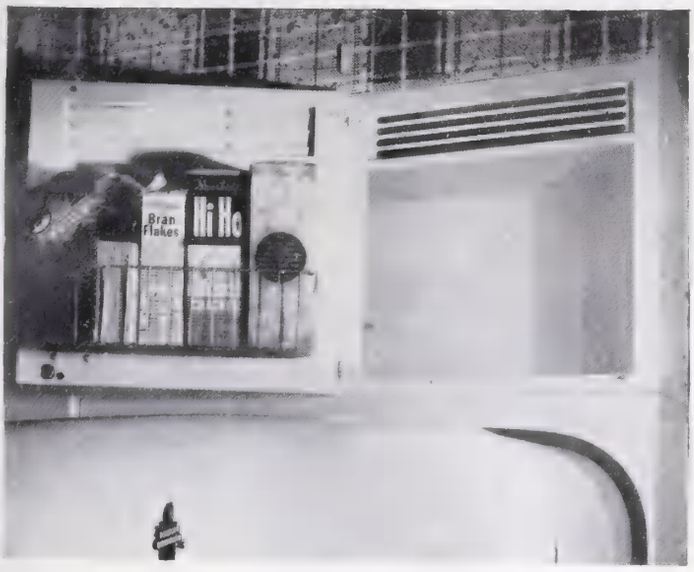


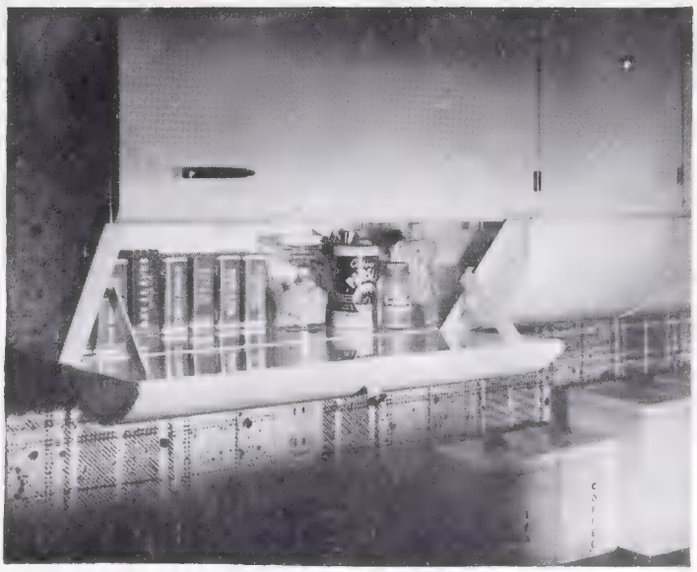
We wanted our kitchen to be pretty but practical. The gay green and white wallpaper, spatter-dashed with blue and red, is plastic coated for easy cleaning. We even put it on closet doors and ceiling. Besides, our air-control cabinet over the range combats steam, grease, and dirt.

Our house is small, and we were determined it wasn't going to be full of food smells. When getting a meal, we lift the rounded "door" of the air control cabinet, which forms a hood and also turns on a fan. Odors, dirt, grease, steam go up and out, never pervade the house.

We were pretty excited when we found cabinets with eye-level, easy-to-reach sections for often-used small things. Door to each drops down to make usable shelf. A dry-storage cabinet fits the top of the refrigerator, utilizes heat from the unit to keep crackers and similar foods crisp.







If you have to, you can do WONDERS WITH A 50-FOOT LOT

It's not space that counts, but how you use it. With the house, garage, and driveway covering well over half our lot, careful planning will give us room for an ample terrace, for flowers, vegetables, even fruit

Our first visit to our lot after the house excavation was dug was a bad jolt. The lot appeared to have shrunk to a quarter of its size. There seemed hardly enough ground left for more than a couple of rows of marigolds, to say nothing of the fruit, vegetables, flowers, and shaded patio we had hoped for.

But we were smarter by then, and went to Landscape Architect E. Huntsman-Trout. He stoically accepted the loss of space to the unnecessarily long driveway, drew up a plan which makes the most of what ground is left. (Had our excavation been dug a few feet farther to the east, the garage could have been attached to the house, giving us more free ground.) We learned (the hard way again) that site planning is as important as room planning, and must come first for a good house.

His plan makes the front of the lot, between house and street, our outdoor living space. This is for a practical reason. Facing south, it is ideal for a patio in our part of the country, where we need a sunpocket to gather up the heat. The rear of the lot is kept for utility—drying yard, trash disposal, vegetables, fruit trees.

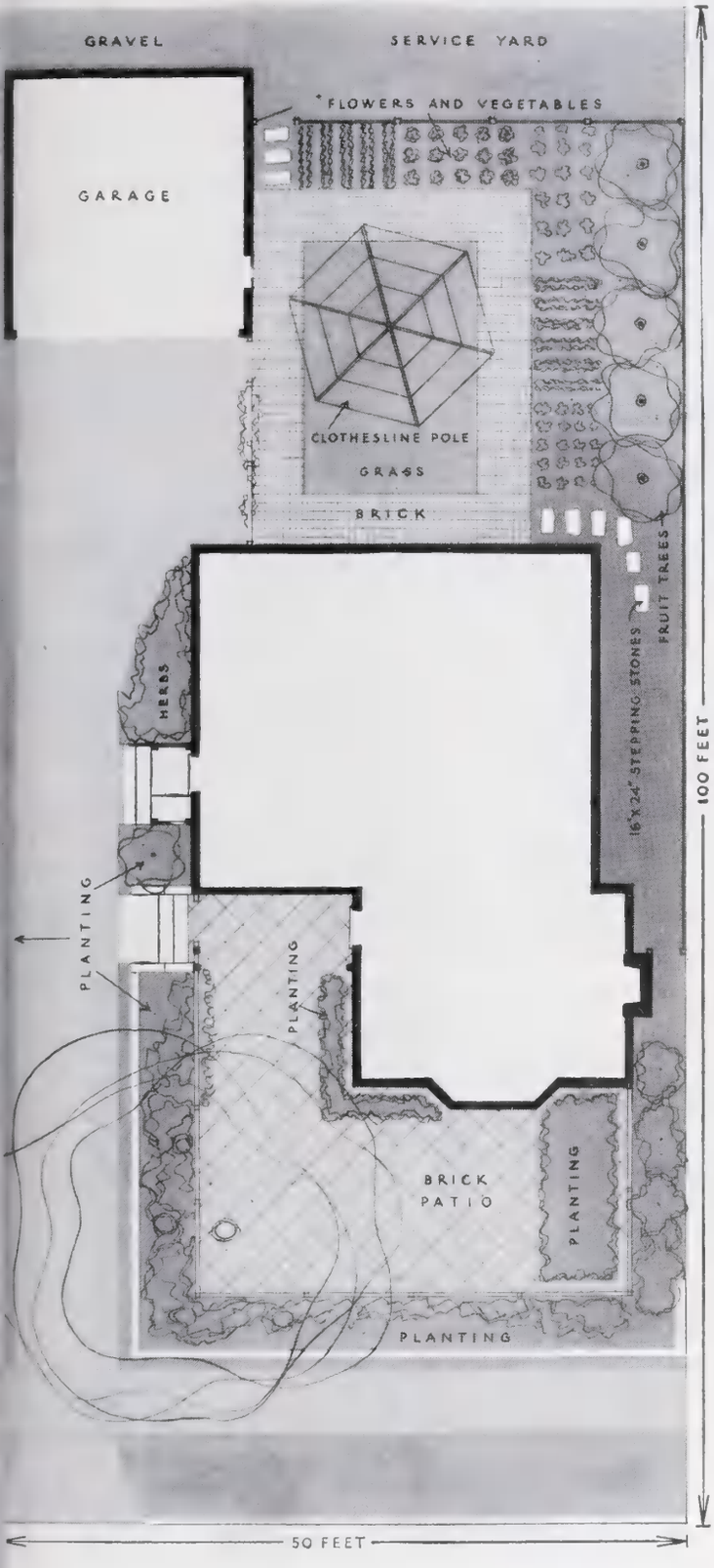
City restrictions rule that front fences may be no talle than three feet, six inches—scarcely enough to give pr vacy to our patio. Mr. Huntsman-Trout solved this b locating the fence far enough in from the sidewalk t permit a screen planting, and by grading up the pati floor a couple of feet above sidewalk level. At the side of the patio, our grapewood stake fence will be steppe up to nine feet and should make a fine screen.

Our biggest plant investment, a sizable tree which w can't afford for a while, will give shade in the patio an an established look to the house. The extensive clay-til floor we will lay ourselves. The flavor of the countr will be supplied by a bed of herbs near our kitchen doo

Even on our small lot, we will have privacy in th sun. It will be nice when we have it finished. We wi try to forget it could have been even nicer—had w been less naive in our first home-building venture.



East side of house, close to neighboring lot



THE LOT, SEE PLAN AT LEFT, IS QUITE EVENLY DIVIDED BETWEEN LIVING AND UTILITY AREAS



The rear of the house



The house from the street



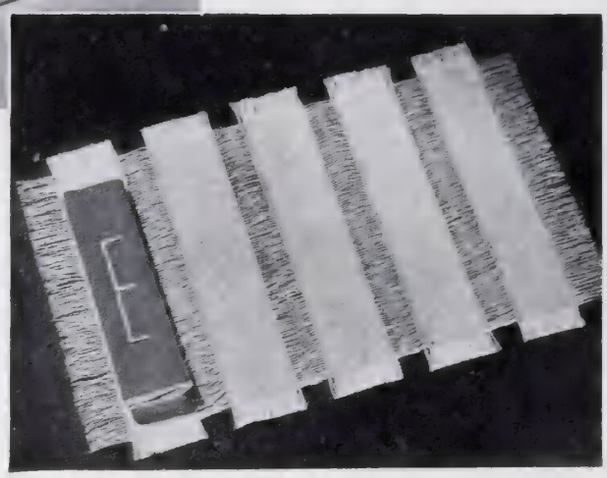


West side of lot, showing living-room and kitchen entrances

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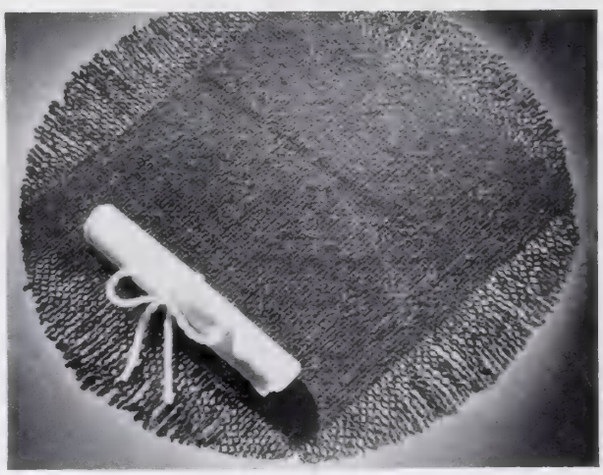


by Sara Little



HOW TO MAKE MATS

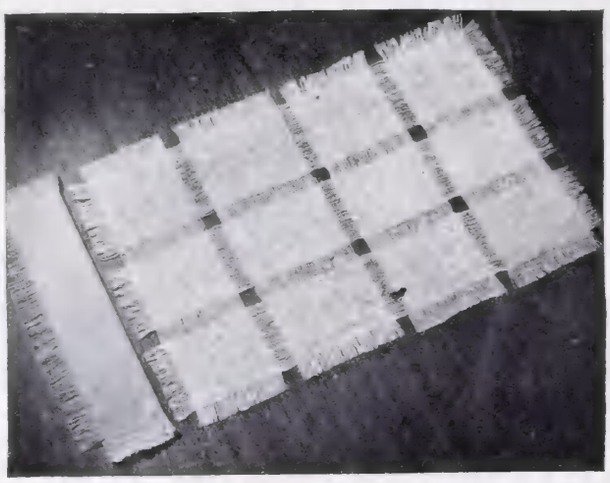
BY DRAWING A FEW THREADS



The place mats shown here have an expensive, hand-woven look, yet they're all of inexpensive fabrics, with threads drawn to form a geometric pattern. Choose heavy, loosely woven material for this work. Begin with drawing your design on in pencil.

To prevent shifting of weave, go over your penciled lines in a simple running stitch before you begin drawing threads. The mat shown at top left, of coarse crash in deep color, is especially nice under an informal pottery lunch or supper set.

Size your mats to accommodate your particular luncheon or dinner place services. Try mixed weaves, like the silk-and-cotton one shown top right, in which cotton threads have been drawn to form a pattern. Napkins should be of finer, smoother weave.



Try a circular shape, for a change, like the one shown right, center. Any plain-colored napkin can be used with it, and yarn ties, in a different color for each family member, prevent mix-ups. Nubbly dress cotton makes the mat at lower right.



OF Scenery AND Soffits

by Helen Markel Herrmann

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ARRIVED LOS ANGELES SAFELY THINGS COULDNT BE SUNNIER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLUG BUT WISH YOU WERE HERE UNDERLINE REPEAT STOP AVOID BLONDES AT ALL COSTS DONT STOP

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5 PM TEMPERATURE 12 ABOVE ALL BLONDES FROZEN HOW DOES ONE GET A JOB WITH HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

DAVID

Darling:

12° above—you poor, underprivileged New Yorker! It's hard to believe out on this molten Gold Coast. We photographed summer furniture all morning, and my nose is peeling like a harassed K.P.

We inhabit a most handsome bungalow at the hotel. It was decorated for a movie magnate's merger with a rival magnate's daughter, with the properly lavish appurtenances. Even the oranges hanging outside my window look like 14 karat headlights. If we could find something half this size in New York it would be heaven.

Please go see Mr. Martoni. Offer him anything that comes to mind at the moment—a well-aged bottle, for example. Dance with his wife, send his filial jitterbug assorted recordings of *Open the Door, Richard*. He is unquestionably the most influential janitor on East 73rd Street, and we must cultivate him at the expense of lesser—if more articulate—lights.

The waiters are arriving with our breakfast and I must go pick a brace of hibiscus for the dining table. They hover outside the porch like loose ladies waiting to accost passing strangers.

Don't get any ideas. I may come home unexpectedly.

Helen

MRS DAVID HERRMANN
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DAVID

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The "KNOW-HOW" about WEED KILLERS



Plantain before spraying with 2, 4-D



ame plant a week after treatment



Plantain is dead two weeks later

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WHAT RESEARCH MEN SAY

2,4-D is one of the most potent of the synthetic plant hormones, with the full chemical name of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (enough!). It will do all the things other hormones will do (root cuttings, etc.) at low concentrations. But at higher concentrations, it will kill—and that is wher its weed-killing role comes in.—*George S. Avery, Jr., New York*

The popularity of 2,4-D as a herbicid rests in two features. One, instead of havin a caustic effect on plants, it affects the growth habits, causing many of them ever tually to die. Two, it is selective in it action. "Selective" might appear to mea that it will kill weeds, but not harm usefu plants. This is not true. The only plant relatively unharmed by 2,4-D are the grasse That is why 2,4-D is ideal for treating lawn —*H. B. Tukey & C. L. Hamner, Michigo*

You can apply 2,4-D any time from earl spring to late fall. However, the action

WHAT HOME USERS SAY

Handling 2,4-D is a comfort, compared with other weed killers, insecticides, and fungicides, because it is so easy and safe to apply. It is non-poisonous and clean, won't stain your clothing or hands, can be easily dissolved in cold water, and will not clog your sprayer. These are all good points, e pecially in a weed killer that is so positiv and certain.—*New York*

During the war, my summer place becam heavily infested with plantain, dandelio and ground ivy. Even though I used sprinkling can instead of a regular sprayer one treatment with 2,4-D resulted in an a most complete kill of these weeds with two weeks.—*Wisconsin*

High cost was a common complaint 2,4-D users in my neighborhood last summe In each case they were using a watering ca with a coarse rose. Consequently, they we using far more of the hormone than w necessary. A sprayer is more economical

If you didn't use one of the new weed killers last year, you'll want to read these first-hand reports from actual users of 2,4-D and the other herbicides. They tell you the how, what, and when of getting rid of weeds in lawns, driveways, gardens, and waste areas in your own section of the country and elsewhere



Dandelions at time of spraying



Reaction to 2,4-D within a week



Two weeks later—no weeds at all

4-D is speediest in warm weather and full n, and on new growth that is quite mature t not woody (if a shrub or vine).—*anklin D. Jones, Pennsylvania*

If crab grass is no problem in your neighrhood, use 2,4-D on your lawn in the ring, when it is least injurious to white ver. Otherwise, apply it in late August early September. This gives the grass ne to fill in the bare spots before crab ass gets started the following June.—*D. Tate, Connecticut*

Woody plants, such as Japanese honeyckle and poison ivy, may be kept under ntrol for a season by a single application 2,4-D. Eradication, however, will usually require several treatments. Apply first spray when in full leaf; repeat when more growth appears.—*B. H. Grigsby, Michigan*

Ammonium sulfamate (Ammate) and borax both appear to be more effective against poison ivy than 2,4-D. We have had almost complete kill with one application of borax. The other two materials take more, but I believe that ammonium sulfamate will come nearer killing with two or three sprays than will 2,4-D—*H. R. Cox, New Jersey*

Driveways and walks are often easier to clean up with a chlorate, a dinitro compound, or oil spray than with 2,4-D because the latter does not kill grasses.—*A. S. Crafts, California* (*Continued on page* 215)

plying 2,4-D than a watering can, even ough the latter is often suggested as table.—*Ontario, Canada*

In the West and Southwest the dandelion oblem in lawns and golf courses apparentis definitely solved by 2,4-D—*California*

As a general killer of weeds in lawns, we y almost exclusively on sodium arsenite, ich is especially effective against bull ss and the spurges or red weed. This has disadvantage of browning the grasses a time—which 2,4-D does not—but we ly it during the summer when the hotel closed. 2,4-D, on the other hand, controls nnywort better than any other weed killer have tried.—*Boca Raton Hotel, Florida*

Men who contract for spraying have been using 2,4-D sprays widely here within the past year or so. Their continued use of this weed killer indicates that it is both effective and economical in this section of the country.—*Seattle, Washington*

Zotox has one advantage over 2,4-D as a weed killer. In addition to killing the usual lawn weeds, it will also kill crab-grass, which 2,4-D will not. Its disadvantages are that it is poisonous and it does temporarily discolor the grass.—*Ontario, Canada*

Ragweed, for best kill, should be sprayed in June, when the plants are still small. In any event, be sure to spray before they set seed.—*Missouri* (*Continued on page* 216)



HOW SAFE IS YOUR COMMUNITY?

Each year 100,000 persons die as the result of accidents, many of them preventable. What is your community doing to protect life and limb, loss of property, and general health? Here is a score card to help you grade the quality of your family's safety

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Does Danger Lurk in or Around Your Home?

	YES	NO
1. Is your driveway planned so there are no		
a) blind corners?	☐	☐
b) vision-stopping hedges and shrubs?	☐	☐
c) trellises, pillars, etc., obscuring entrance and exit?	☐	☐
2. Are your stairways		
a) carpeted or otherwise skidproofed?	☐	☐
b) free of loose or torn spots in carpeting?	☐	☐
c) equipped with solidly built handrails, if more than two steps high?	☐	☐
d) inspected regularly for signs of handrail deterioration?	☐	☐
3. Have you checked your house to make sure there are no		
a) rotting or termite-infested timbers?	☐	☐
b) sagging floors?	☐	☐
c) loose plaster?	☐	☐
d) loose roofing?	☐	☐
e) weak stairways (especially those leading to the cellar)?	☐	☐
f) faulty chimneys in which a spark could flame?	☐	☐
4. Are the rooms of your house arranged to		
a) allow free passage without stumbling over objects?	☐	☐
b) provide a play area where children can keep their toys out of passageways?	☐	☐
c) keep occupants and guests from slipping on small rugs unfastened to the floor?	☐	☐

by Dorothy Ducas

HOUSE BEAUTIFUL presents herewith a new kind of quiz game. Its ingredients are the invisible or overlooked hazards that live with you in your home, on your streets, in your schools, stores, and public buildings. The technique of playing is keen observation, followed by *action* when you find a risk lurking on your own doorstep. The prizes are far more valuable than those offered on your favorite radio quiz: protection, health, peace of mind, and justifiable pride in a community that really has made itself safe.

The Safety Quiz appearing on these pages was created in co-operation with the National Safety Council, which for many years has been telling the American public how many persons are killed and injured by accidents that need not have happened, how many homes are invitations to disaster, how many cautions are ignored that might save pain, economic loss, and life itself.

You've read many columns about safety, but, as with so many important things, you read and forgot so long as nothing hurtful happened to you and yours. This quiz is an attempt to relate safety to your daily life, so you may know precisely what you have to fear in your own house and wherever you go in your home town. If you play the game honestly, you'll have a blueprint of your environment and how it rates in that essential quality for a good life: safety.

The questions are all designed to be answered with an unequivocal yes or no. Count each sub-division as a separate question and add one for every yes. You should have a score of 145 if your environment is 100 per cent safe. Of course, you won't score 145. Some questions can't be answered yes by everybody. For example, if you live in a cellarless bungalow with no stairways anywhere on your property, you'll skip the stairway sections, of course. But a score of 125 is good; 100 is fair. Below 100 in most cases means that you have a great deal to do in your community before you can call it safe.

From your answers to the questions, some may take a little well-placed digging to arrive at, you either will congratulate yourself on the wisdom and foresight of your family, neighbors, and city fathers or be galvanized to action to plug the awful gaps in the protection you are receiving. Either way, it's a gain.

Few communities are perfectly safe. Despite wise regulations, careful supervision, up-to-date equipment, earnest and efficient workers, accidents happen. But some can be predicted. It is our purpose to outline here the elements of safety that can reduce accidents to those dependent solely upon human error, a relatively small percentage today of the total injurious mishaps that overtake us.

Take a look at your community. See its assets and its liabilities. Then get going to eliminate the liabilities that make it unsafe for you and your family in a world of Better Tomorrows.

5. Are your electric lights

	YES	NO
a) capable of being turned on at the door, so you don't have to enter a dark room?	☐	☐
b) turned off after you've crossed the room to leave it (through multiple switches)?	☐	☐

6. Have you recently checked all your electrical installations and appliances for

a) faulty wiring?	☐	☐
b) broken plugs?	☐	☐
c) raveled cords?	☐	☐
d) making sure your washing machine is grounded?	☐	☐

7. If you have a gas range, is it equipped with pilots that automatically re-light the top burner flames if accidentally extinguished? ☐ ☐

8. Is there special lighting to insure seeing over work areas like

a) the kitchen sink?	☐	☐
b) the laundry?	☐	☐
c) your desk?	☐	☐
d) the workshop?	☐	☐

9. To avoid having things strewn around to be stumbled over, have you provided adequate storage closets and cabinets for

a) day to day needs?	☐	☐
b) toys and games?	☐	☐
c) out-of-season clothing?	☐	☐
d) sports equipment?	☐	☐
e) trunks and suitcases?	☐	☐
f) tools?	☐	☐

10. Does your water supply system have

	YES	NO
a) temperature control valve on the hot water to avoid danger of scalding?	☐	☐
b) proper pressure control valves on the storage tank?	☐	☐

Is Traffic in Your Town Really Under Control?

1. How many traffic deaths were there in your community last year? Your Police Department can tell you. To find out if this record is better than average for cities of the same size, calculate the rate for your city, divide the number of traffic fatalities by population of your city, then multiply result by 100,000. The average rate for cities of the U. S. in 1946 was 12.9 per 100,000. Is your rate equal to, or better than 12.9? ☐ ☐

2. Is your police department doing everything it can to keep down traffic accidents by doing the following?

a) Getting reports of all traffic accidents involving death, injury or total property damage over $25?	☐	☐
b) Keeping standard accident reports and using standard analysis forms?	☐	☐
c) Maintaining accident-spot maps showing where accidents occur, so that hazards at those places may be eliminated?	☐	☐
d) Having a safety car or cars equipped for investigating accidents quickly and giving emergency help?	☐	☐
e) Administering chemical tests for those suspected of driving while intoxicated?	☐	☐

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by Charlotte Eaton Co

Kitchens needn't look CLINICAL



The kitchen with eye appeal is a sign of our times, a significant indication of a change in our basic ideas of how we want to live. Perhaps we have got over that snobbism which relegated the kitchen exclusively to the "help" with the implication that what it looked like didn't matter a bit, since it was only part of the machinery of the house, unseen by family or friends.

Now, if you eavesdrop just a little among your neighbors, or even among strangers in busses and trains, you learn that "sooner or later everybody ends up in the kitchen." And that applies to little tots, to teen-agers, to adult friends who drop in for an evening of bridge.

Basically, the change is one of social concept, evidence of the unpretentious living most of us prefer these days. We now see the kitchen as a living and entertaining room as well as a workshop, entitled to as thoughtful a decorative scheme as we have long given to the rest of the house. (*Text continued on page 131*)

The old-fashioned country kitchen was part parlor, library, dining room, and study. And so is its 1947 counterpart. Beamed ceiling, wallpaper, tile floor, cherry and pine furniture, gay little shelves for one's milk glass collection, all add up to a homey gathering place.

The working area, none-the-less efficient for its pleasant atmosphere, is compactly arranged with all the right equipment in the right place: refrigerator nearest the entrance door, then work counters and sink, then the range. Unsightly muss can be concentrated here.

The over-all kitchen size is large. But the working area is so compact one cannot criticize it as wasteful of time or motion. Refrigerator and range from Frigidaire. Cabinets, Mutschler Bros. Co. Breakfast set, L. & J. G. Stickley, Inc. Wallpaper, Hobe Erwin.

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Kitchens needn't look CLINICAL

The "decorator look" in these kitchens derives from colorful design in wallpaper, floors, and window treatment





PHOTOGRAPHS BY EMELIE DANIELSON NICHOLSON

Though only a tiny apartment kitchen, top left, facing page, it has plenty of character besides being functional. Note slots for trays beneath chopping and serving board, out-of-way but convenient niches for telephone and radio. Refrigerator and range, General Electric Co. Wallpaper, Bassett & Vollum.

If you like to eat in the kitchen, a snack bar is practically a must. Here, facing page, it is built with a sunken window box in front of a window with a view. Wallpaper, Bassett & Vollum Refrigerator, range, Kelvinator. Stainless steel counter, Just Mfg. Co. Asphalt tile, David E. Kennedy.

In a large kitchen like that above, two sinks are much better than one. The double sink beneath the window is handily adjacent to refrigerator and range, while that at far right can serve as a butler's pantry, for salad making, drink mixing, flower arranging. Cabinets, Geneva Modern Kitchens, Inc.

Turn the page to see a modern kitchen with French Provincial overtones

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These kitchens now on display at Marshall Field & Co., Chicago

(*Text continued from page* 126) The four kitchens shown on these six pages well demonstrate that it is possible to apply decorating technique to the kitchen, even though its primary function necessarily must be that of an efficient workshop. Colorful wallpapers, appropriate curtains, shelves for display of decorative accessories need not detract from the efficient operation of the newest and latest equipment. On the contrary, they add a pleasant charm which conceivably will increase efficiency, for it's human to work better in agreeable surroundings.

That function has been a major consideration in these kitchens is readily evident. Equipment has been arranged according to accepted efficiency formulas. But also, in every kitchen, there have been added valuable conveniences such as a planning desk, telephone, cook book shelves, and a place for an informal snack. All these have become musts in our broadened concept of the kitchen.

The wealth of ideas in these four personable kitchens should be an inspiration in making *your own* kitchen the most popular room in the house for your family, a joy for you to work in.



Standard Mutschler cabinets, with slight changes and addition of moldings, link cupboards to French Provincial theme. Copper hood, pans, Quimper pottery, breakfast set echo period.



binet in the center of the room, with its storage space extra work surface, is mounted on casters to move wher- may be needed. Rubber tile flooring. Taylor Mfg. Co.

A shelf between two tall storage cupboards makes an adequate planning desk, with shelves above for books or bibelots. Marvalon, an easily-cleaned plastic cloth, covers wall over range.

nch Provincial theme makes this kitchen essential part orative scheme of whole house. Refrigerator, range, house Electric Corp. Breakfast set, Wisconsin Chair Co.



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A REALISTIC LIV
ROOM DESK

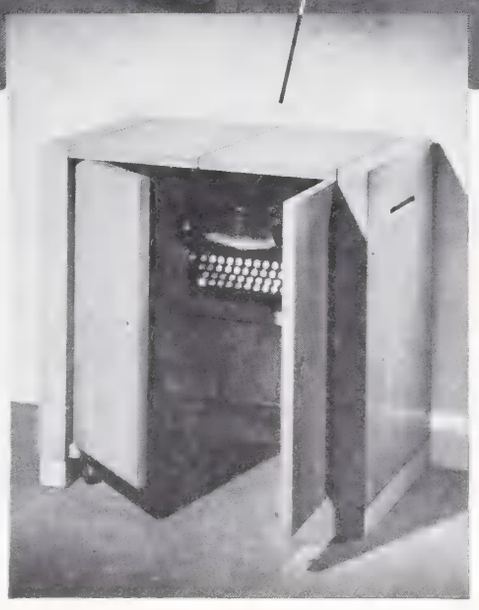
■ This is the first desk engineered to
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all the efficiency of a small office, yet
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ports. Dunbar Furniture Manufactur



LONG-NEEDED NEW FURNITURE

Even though there was a lot of furniture on the market before the war, a considerable amount of it failed to fulfill the most obvious needs. Here are six postwar designs that are intelligently engineered to fill six long-existing requirements for better, more comfortable living

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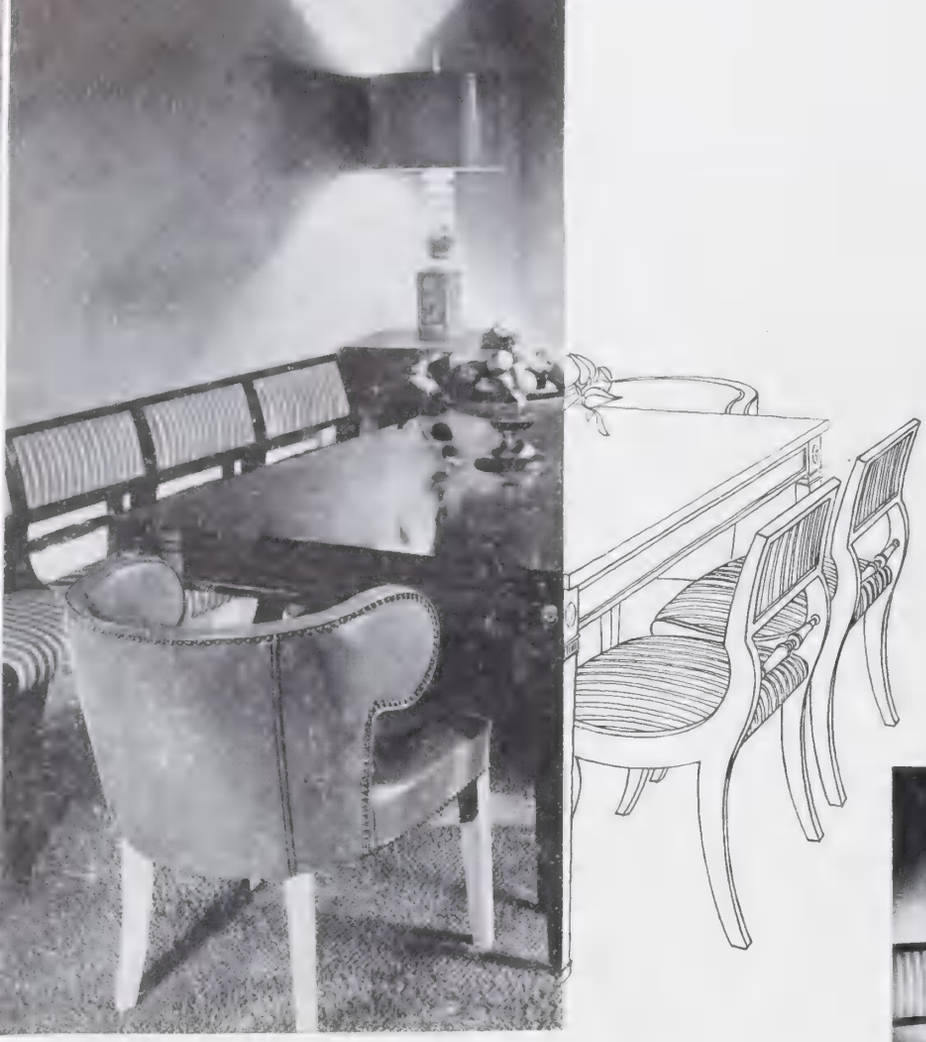


by Laura Tanner

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STORAGE FOR BIG ALBUMS AND FOLIOS

● Many people would like to keep portfolios of unframed art, or they have a penchant for collecting outsize maps and periodicals too big for the usual bookcase. The storing of such treasures has always been a problem until the Dunbar Furniture Manufacturing Company made this burl maple cabinet with a neat bin on the side, which is the perfect solution for storing such collections near at hand and safely. It also serves as an end table and has adequate shelves for outsize books



DINING CHAIRS THAT GROU
INTO A SECTIONAL BENCH

● Surveys show that dining rooms are still popular, which mean that a family with a dining room has to contend with the placement of from six to a dozen chairs. When not wanted o the table, this number can monopolize floor space. Two manu facturers of the Grand Rapids Furniture Guild have produce a group of chairs styled not only with regard to beauty, bu designed to fit together flush so that they join snugly to form continuous seat. A great space-saver in small quarters, this co also supplement the seating in a living room or hall. Regenc chairs are from the Grand Rapids Chair Company. The moder chairs in cartridge pleated leather, Ralph Morse Furniture Co







A DINING-ROOM STORAGE PIECE THAT REALLY STORES DINING EQUIPMENT

● To be really useful, a dining room cabinet must store a multiplicity of items of different shapes and sizes, ranging from stemware to plates to table linens. The Dunbar Furniture Manufacturing Company has made just such a piece with shelves for stacking extra china and for awkward pieces of hollow ware, with sliding trays for linen, with shallow silver drawers. The doors are fitted with galleries to hold glasses. The upper section offers a fine opportunity to display treasures every housewife likes to see and to have admired





PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER

ONE TABLE WITH MANY USES

● There is a constant clamor for bigger and better tables—tables that can go into modern or traditional rooms with equal grace, tables that suggest more than one static function. Such a one is the 36" sq. two-tiered table by the Widdicomb Furniture Company which goes everywhere from bedroom to dining room to living room. It can take the miscellany of bedside table clutter with room to spare. It is the right dimension with sectional pieces, allows for a lamp scaled to the same generous proportions as the table. Some like it in corners with two easy chairs flanking it; others want it for a coffee table and for informal snacks. To see it is to want it, to own it is to put it to use



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PHOTOGRAPH BY WILLIAM HOWLAND



A GOOD-LOOKING TYPEWRITER TABLE

● Here at last is a typewriter table which can be used beside a pedestal desk in a traditional room without destroying the harmony of the décor. Its antique predecessor had the same kind of fine hardware, the same two little leaves that lift conveniently to hold extra paper. Because it is on casters, it can be kept at the end of a desk, wheeled into position at a touch. It can be used for many less serious functions. Produced by the Baker Furniture Co.

LONG-NEEDED NEW FURNITURE

PHOTOGRAPHS BY CHARLES PH



Gardening can be serious business, even with teen-agers. This group at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden is making cuttings.



Gardening has great appeal for all ages, but especi those under twelve, whose energy must be expressed i

SHOULD YOUR CHILD STUDY Botany OR Gardening?

A love of nature is one of the most valuable assets for a good life that you can give your child. If his school isn't giving it to him, you can provide it yourself. This article tells several ways

By Helen Ayes

Should your child study plant life and gardening as a part of his early education? Let the question be, rather, do you as a parent want your child armed, in this mechanistic age, with every possible inner resource for living richly and fully as an adult; for gaining some conception of the infinity which stretches out beyond mere human exi

The answer, to most parents, will be an obvious As part of his preparation for happy adulthood, should become familiar with the green world, just should get acquainted with good music, art, and liter and just as he should be given some foundation, conventional or unconventional, for formulating h personal religion or code of morals. For the need for in one's life and the need for belief in a purpose i are instinctive in all of us. The more fully those ne met, the richer will be the living, the more content productive the individual.

One of the simplest and most easily available re for satisfying *both* these needs is an interest in the w growing things—and an interest in growing them f self. Not to be acquainted with nature—not to be appreciate, through a knowledge of the life of tre



can learn a lot about the beauty of nature by ob-
This group is visiting the New York Botanical Garden.

the wonder and mystery of all life—is to miss one
reatest of all mental and spiritual joys. And garden-
resource for inner contentment, is inexhaustible and
xt to nothing to pursue and take to the heart.
if you, yourself, have not had an introduction to
of gardening as a hobby, you have only to observe
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then, is not a study of plant life, and an application
study in practical gardening, an important part of
nool curriculum? True, botany is a required subject
high schools. But botany, as it is taught in the major-
sses, is not of live interest except to the scientifically
student.
average student, for the most part, botany is a
process of classifying (*Continued on page 154*)

Books to Inspire Young Gardeners

GARDENING FOR TEEN-AGERS

Gardening for Young People . . . . . M. G. Kains
A Book of Garden Flowers . . . . Margaret McKenny
Garden Flowers in Color . . . . . Daniel J. Foley
The Gardener's First Year . . . . . Alfred Bates

BOTANY FOR TEEN-AGERS

This Green World . . . . . Rutherford Platt
Let's Look at the Plant World . . . . . D. S. Marx
How to Know the Wild Flowers . . . . F. T. Parsons
Flower Guide (pocket size) . . . . Chester A. Reed
Field Book of American Wild Flowers . . F. S. Mathews

GARDENING FOR UNDER TWELVE

The Junior Gardener . D. W. Greene & R. C. Goldsmith
Very First Garden . . . . . Dorothea Gould
The Garden and Its Friends . . . . . B. M. Parker
Peter and Penny Plant a Garden . . . G. and F. Dubois
Where Did Your Garden Grow . . . . . J. M. Lucas

BOTANY FOR UNDER TWELVE

Warm Earth . . . . . Dorothy Waugh
Plants Round the Year . . . . . Glenn O. Blough
Flowers, Fruits, Seeds . . . . . Bertha M. Parker
Seeds and Seed Travels . . . . . Bertha M. Parker
Plant Factories . . . . B. M. Parker and O. D. Frank

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A Two-Course Supper Anyone Could Manage

Curried Shrimp with Rice
Chopped Bacon Chopped Eggs
Ground Peanuts
Fresh-Ground Cocoanut Chutney
Spring Greens Salad
French Dressing
Cheese Sticks
Peaches in Champagne
Coffee

ARE YOU HIDING BEHIND A COUNTRY CLUB?

When was the last time you said. "Darling. I've asked the Bentleys for dinner. I think we'll take them to the Club"? I'll bet it wasn't very long ago. And I'll also wager that, from your statement alone, I know all about the Bentleys. Because it reveals a good deal about both of you.

The Bentleys are people you don't know very well whom you hope to know better. They live in a house you admire, set a table you envy, entertain people you'd like to know. You often say admiringly that the Bentleys "get around."

Where else would you entertain people like the Bentleys, who have good taste and are used to good food and good conversation? Naturally you would take them to the Club.

Why *naturally*?

If the Bentleys are even half as discriminating, as sophisticated as you seem to think they are, the Club, my friend, is the last place in the world they want to have dinner.

Remember, the Bentleys accepted your invitation because they wanted to spend an evening with you. If they wanted to dine at a club, they could use their own. You may have just told them that they are hardly worth the trouble of entertaining at home.

With them you will take the easy way out: Dinner at the Club.

"Nonsense," you say, flushing hotly. "I'm taking them to the Club for the simple reason that I can't put on (*Continued on page* 233)

KODACHROME OPPOSITE BY WILLIAM HOWLAND

A sparkling garniture of crystal, silver, and fine linen is an unspoken compliment to your guests, and as important to the success of your dinner as the quality of the Bombay duck and chutney. For the buffet as well as the small tables, Mrs. Frances T. Heard, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL's Home Furnishings Editor, has chosen "Damask Rose" silver from Oneida, Ltd., "Renaissance" crystal of Seneca Glass from B. Altman & Co., "Aurora" china, Lenox, Inc., linen, Elmer P. Goldsmith. Incidental silver, Mottahedeh & Sons and Park Curiosity Shop. Rug is Libertyville "Tumble Twist" from James McCreery.



by Susan Matthews



color

MEANS MORE

WHEN IT HAS

pattern

GARDEN DESIGN AND ARTICLE

by Janet Darling

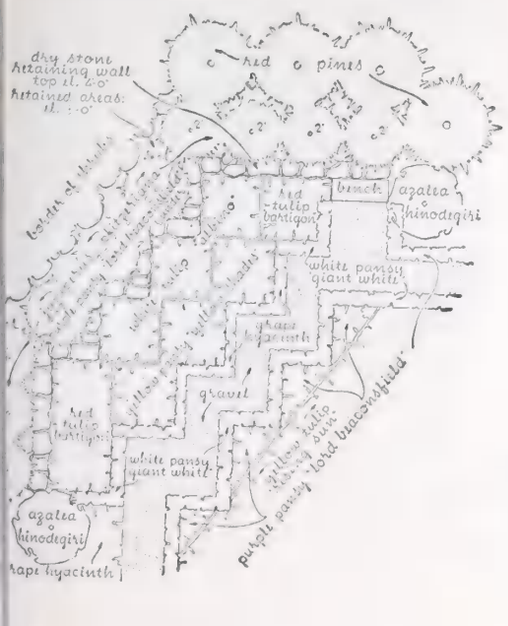
You can't be a timid soul if you are after the striking effects which a garden gets from good fresh color. If you want real punch, use real pattern. Then fill it with color.

Perhaps you have a small back yard—perhaps a tiny corner of a large estate—and you want to create the spirit of a garden, not merely the kaleidoscopic, hit-or-miss effect of a florist's window. First of all, work out some sort of pattern. It may be a simple geometric design such as the one on the opposite page, or it may be a more elaborate scheme with more subtle forms. But whatever its size or its character, the colors you select will be emphasized a hundred per cent if you *arrange* them and not merely scatter them around at random.

Please notice, too, that we said "the colors you select" and not "the flowers you select." Let your design be determined first, and then pick out the plants to suit your needs. Decide where you want the tall plants, where the low ones; where you want the darks and where the lighter tones; where you want the large scale, bold types and where the delicate; where the background filler plants and where the accents. Then pick out the shrubs and flowers which will give you the effects you are striving for. Your plants are your tools, the colors with which you paint your picture; and as such, they must be secondary to the over-all design.

If, for example, tulips do not grow well in your region, pick out another plant of similar character to give you a comparable effect—something of strong color and good bold foliage to contrast with the more delicate border plants. You may find that because of climate, orientation, or varying soil conditions, none of the plants pictured can be grown in your vicinity. Even so, the (*Continued on page* 218)

KODACHROME OPPOSITE BY F. W. CASSEBEER



In spring, bulbs fill garden patterns with color

The bulb garden, pictured also on opposite page, gets its rich color from only three varieties of tulips, plus pansies, grape hyacinths, and accent shrubs of brilliant hinodegiri azalea.

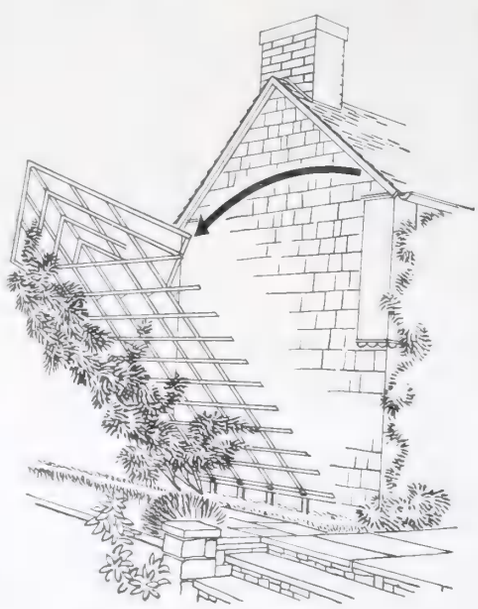
In summer, it's annuals that carry the color

Here, tall marigolds replace tulips, and ageratum, alyssum, dwarf marigolds, and zinnias fill spaces vacated by the smaller spring plants. An alternate cheme is described on page 218.



Evergreen magnolia or bullbay (*Magnolia grandiflora*) is just the tree to espalier on a substantial brick house. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mangham, of Atlanta.





To simplify painting a clapboard house, use a hinged trellis for your espalier, as the William G. Reeds, of Seattle, have done. (See photograph and sketch at left.)

by Alice L. Dustan

So you haven't enough room for gardening?

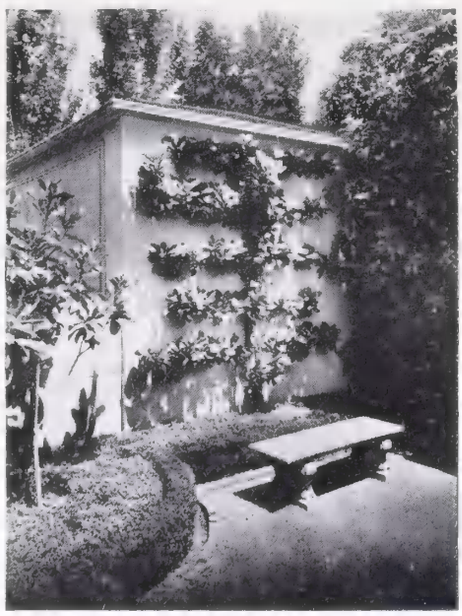
Every gardener, at some time in his life, wants more space, whether his garden is located on a 50-foot town lot or takes up five acres of a 50-acre farm. He may have all the room he needs for perennials and bulbs, but there's never enough, it seems, for the many trees and shrubs that give year-round beauty in such abundance for so few demands.

If you are a gardener who lacks space—or who has narrow difficult spaces to fill—your solution is to grow shrubs and small trees as espaliers, trained against your fences, walls, and house façades. Doubtless you have seen forsythia and firethorn so used. But did you realize that, culturally, it is possible for you to espalier *any* flowering shrub or small tree, and many evergreens?

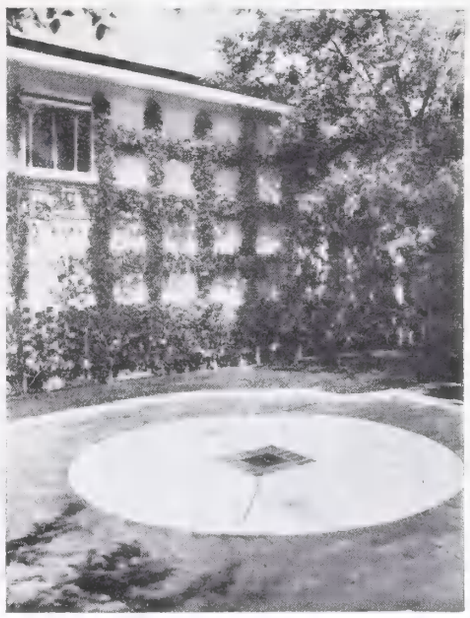
This means that northern gardeners can have an evergreen "vine" in Japanese yew on a fence too exposed for English ivy (the only true evergreen vine for most northern gardens). Southerners who thought they lacked space for (*Continued on page* 249)



Japanese yew makes a hardy evergreen "vine" for northern climates. Slow-growing forms are best, like this one in the Long Island garden of the Esmond B. Martins.



A magnolia gives a striking effect in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Decker McAllister, San Mateo, California, designed by Thomas Church, landscape architect.



Star jasmine is half shrub, half vine, one of the daintiest of espaliers. Useful only in warm climates, as here in the John Hookers' garden, also in San Mateo.

What you ought to know . . . .

before you buy

YOUR FIRST FREEZER

The thing you *can't* know, before you own a freezer, is how it is going to change your life.

Even if you have once used a locker plant, you know only a small part of the meaning of what freezing can do to revolutionize your life. For the ownership of a home freezer is pretty certain to change, very basically, your eating, your marketing habits, and the amount of time and work spent in meal preparation. The full meaning of what it can do for you is likely to dawn on you slowly, for it takes time and personal experimentation to find out the true value of a complete freezing program to your family and your way of life.

The danger of this necessarily slow realization is that you will buy too small a freezer for your eventual needs. And at the moment the freezer industry has no trade-in plan enabling you to turn in a used, too-small freezer for a new, bigger one.

Another danger for the novice is the idea that freezing, like canning, is merely a way to preserve summer foods for winter eating. It is all of that, of course. But it is so much more that its full ramifications are really hard to grasp, except through your own personal experience with freezing.

For instance, with a *big enough* freezer in your own house, you will learn to cook too much and freeze the surplus for future meals that will be work-free. For it is *not* four times the work to cook four times too much. Yet, if you do just this, you can enjoy a "free ride" for three meals.

Yet it takes time to adjust your mind to this idea. For generations, women have been trying to avoid this very thing, associating the disagreeable word "left-over" with the concept of cooking too much. But when you fully realize the use of a home freezer, you will find the word "left-over" disappearing from your vocabulary. And you will deliberately cook too much to save yourself work later on.

Not too much has been said about this aspect of home freezing, partly because manufacturers of freezers have hardly caught on to this aspect of its usefulness themselves, and partly because it is a new art. But it ranks high in the minds of experienced freezer owners, who think the freezing of home-cooked foods (for labor-saving reasons) is as important as the storing of fresh foods in their uncooked state.



Formerly scarce metals such as aluminum and stainless steel, desirable because corrosion-resistant and non-chipping, are used in many new freezers, such as this 160 cu. ft. walk-in. Beall Pipe & Tank Corp.



A warning device is important to guard against thawing due to electric power disruption or mechanical trouble. In 4 and 6 cu. ft. Frigidaire models, signal warns if the temperature rises 5° to 10° too high.



Much of freezer's ability to maintain constant temperatures depends upon compressor unit large enough to meet all conditions, and efficiently built by reputable manufacturer. This one is a Servel unit.

Freezing home-cooked foods is only one example of how having a freezer under your own roof will alter your living habits. You will market differently—on a different time schedule, on a different price level, and perhaps from different sources from your present ones. You will shop for a whole season, as you now buy clothes, instead of for a day or for a week. Because you will buy in quantity those things you like well enough to use in quantity, you will be able to buy them cheaper, and yet at the same time, because they *are* cheaper, you can afford a better grade and can choose more discriminatingly.

Such realities won't dawn on you all at once. You need to use a freezer about a year before this "know-how" develops. For a freezer has many more variables for personal developments than any other modern appliance. And it is only by experience that personal preference and understanding can grow.

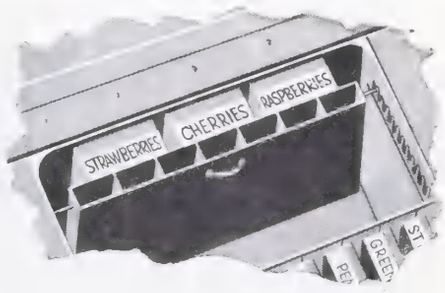
The only reason for talking about all this beforehand is to help you realize that you should buy a larger unit than you think you'll need. We know from experience that first dismay with the yawning hole of nine empty cubic feet is as nothing to the dismay, twelve or eighteen months later, when you discover that you have grossly underestimated your needs.

Later, we give you several rules of thumb to use in estimating how much total space you will need. Take seriously your biggest estimate and try to achieve it by using lockers in a locker plant as an adjunct to the freezer space you have at home.

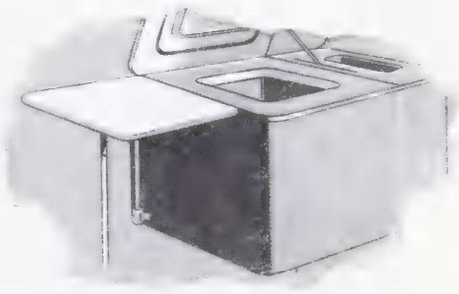
But owning a big enough freezer is only part of this new world you are entering. Without some helpful tips on how best to use it, a new freezer in the family is likely to be like the new baby: a prized possession very much loved and admired, something that's proudly displayed to relatives and friends, but otherwise having little use value. Unless you learn at once how to use the new freezer, it may take more than a year before the freezer-formula for better living and better eating works itself (*Continued on next page*)

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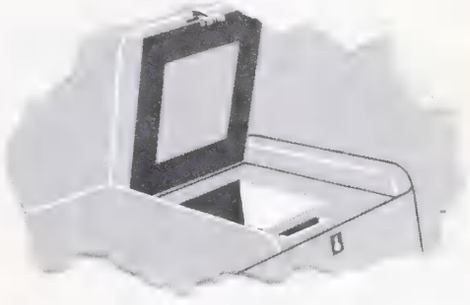
by Donald K. Tressler and Lucy Long



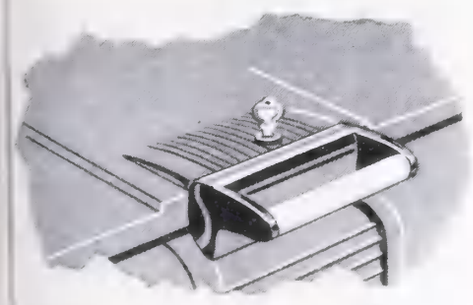
The adjustable metal plate Freezer Flue in Jewett Refrigerator Company's Arctic Trunk speeds freezing by holding food against side wall freezing plate and providing metal contact on both sides of package.



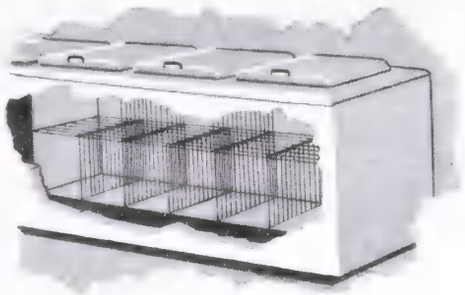
A fold-down table attachment, like that in Maytag freezer, is useful in handling frozen food packages, in preparing food for snacks. Standard cabinet height gives useful added work space when closed.



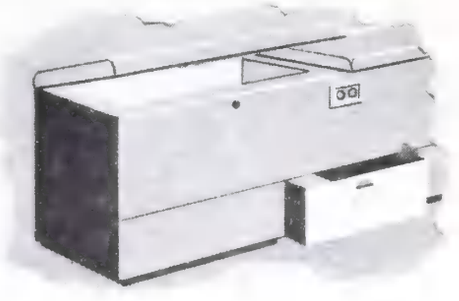
A defrosting well, like that in freezer made by Jewett Refrigerator Co., maintains temperatures from 30° above zero up to room temperature for thawing or storing foods temporarily until ready to freeze.



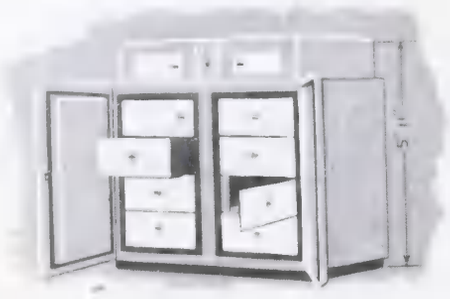
A built-in lock in the latch, as in this Philco, is valuable if freezer is located in easily accessible garage, porch, or even kitchen, where curious youngsters might not know why doors should remain closed.



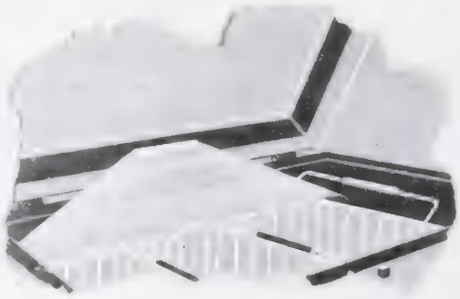
In chest freezers, some shelf or basket arrangement is convenient for locating foods. Pak-A-Way supplies removable wire shelves and dividers. In other cases, such accessories may be purchased separately.



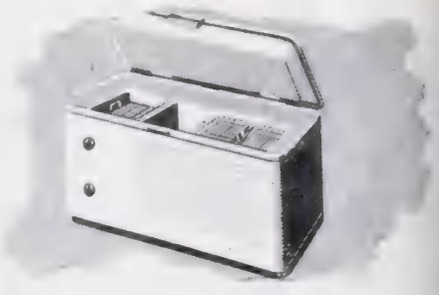
A small detail, big in convenience, is the button latch on American Refrigerator & Machine, Inc. models. A touch on button swings up lid, then you raise it to suit. Note storage bin for packaging materials.



To conserve most accessible space for food, York's 33 cu. ft. upright locates refrigerating machinery on top. One door gives access to machinery and temperature control, the other to stored packaging materials.

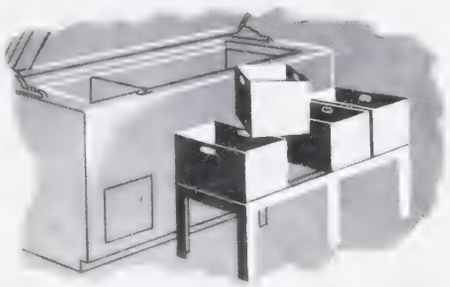


As in refrigerators, some new freezers have automatic interior lighting, like this General Electric chest. Lid is provided with same amount of insulation as side walls, is counterbalanced for easy opening.

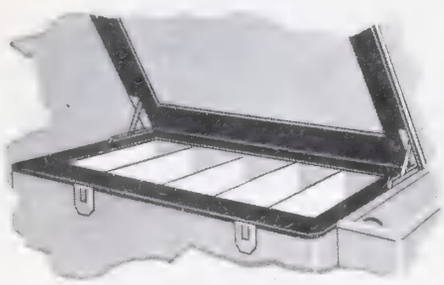


Convenience features in new "Deepfreeze" home freezer include fast freeze and storage compartments, temperature control and indicator, lock, bottom dividers, top baskets, 3 trays for extra ice cubes, alarm.

DRAWINGS BY JAMES LEWICKI



Easily removable metal bins in the Coolerator simplify food classification and identification. Bins fit compactly into chest, with space for bulky packages in the lower sections, small, compact ones on top.



Maximum freezing capacity in Bishop's chest freezer is due to metal dividers containing freezing coils, so foods to be frozen may be placed against them, as well as against the side walls of the freezer.



Many small frozen food storage units, like this Frostmaster from Frozen Food Products, are designed to co-ordinate with other kitchen equipment in design and dimension. Top is linoleum, height standard.

(*Continued from preceding page*) into your habits.

If your pattern of managing the new freezer does not work out efficiently, your experience with it may always be much like the mountain lodge-keeper whose daily food fare to out-of-season guests consists of chicken and French fries for dinner, fried eggs and sausage for breakfast, and scant pick-ups for lunch, although he boasts of having *three* freezers on hand.

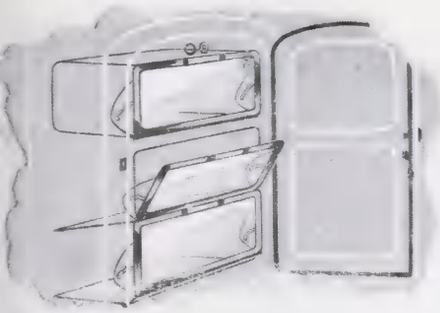
Or you may duplicate the case of the freezer-owner who boasts of *how long* his freezer will keep foods, and sets out to prove it by keeping foods in his freezer just as long as possible, letting the months and the opportunities for fine eating just roll by unnoticed. One such freezer-owner kept a number of turkeys in his freezer for more than two years, little realizing that such a practice was depriving him of full use of this new wonder equipment.

Most often, new freezer-owners find it easier to fill the freezer than to utilize it continuously for eating, because they think of the freezer in terms of *extra* food supply, rather than *regular* food supply.

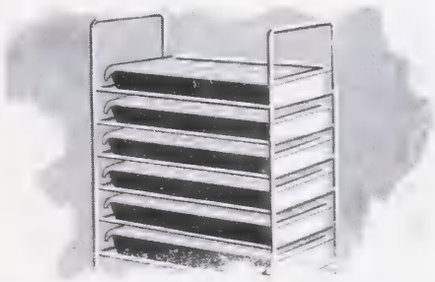
The quickest short-cut to getting the most out of a freezer is to start by using it every day, by freezing all the foods you can procure fresh locally, by buying commercially prepared frozen foods if you wish to add variety to your menus, and by using these foods at every opportunity. Even though you may make mistakes at first in calculating your frozen food supply, and the quantity of some food items turns out to be too scant or too plentiful, experience with such matters is a good teacher. So start right off looking to your home freezer as a daily provider, depend upon it to supply certain foods, possibly each day's meats, all out-of-season vegetables and fruits, and special foods like homemade breads, ice cream, etc. Soon you will discover that a new dimension has been added to your eating and cooking life. Marketing need be considered only occasionally. Food emergencies rarely arise—if ever. And certainly boredom will never beset you.

To plan meals from the freezer, you've got to know what foods and how much of each you have there. With just a few packages and a limited variety, (*Continued on page* 235)

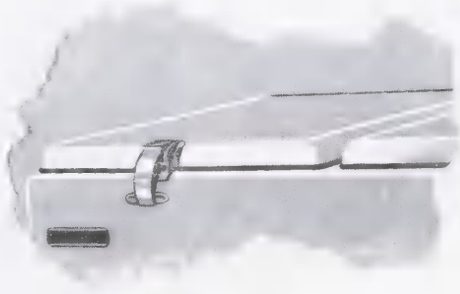
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To help keep cold from spilling out when freezer is opened, Philco's uprights have a patented sloping center shelf, depressed bottom shelf, and two-position, drop-down doors to each of the three compartments.



For parties or whenever there is a drain on the regular ice-cube supply, this six-tray ice-cube maker freezes quickly at low temperatures. One of the "extras" Pak-A-Way makes available with any of their freezers.



One feature of Ben Hur chests is the "slam-less" latch to give positive latching of freezer lids. Another is double extruded rubber balloon gasket, compressing when closed for essential effective seal.

HOW TO FIGURE THE SIZE FREEZER TO BUY

Question	*Experience Proves That*
Can you buy locally or grow in your own garden enough vegetables, fruits, and berries to supply your menu needs from the end of one growing season to the start of next?	If so, you will want space for 9 or 10 months' supply. Pint packages serve two generous, three medium, or four small portions. Now calculate how many times a month you use a given vegetable. Multiply these two figures and you'll reach a conclusion about how many packages you should freeze. Allow 6 cu. ft. of storage space for each 300 rectangular pint packages. Compute storage space for fruits as for vegetables, allowing storage space only for those to be home frozen.
Have you a good source of supply for a quantity of meats (including poultry) which can be bought in their prime?	It is best to purchase large commercial cuts of meat from a retail or wholesale dealer. Also, it is more profitable and better to procure a year's supply of broiling and frying chickens (which are best only at certain seasons) from poultry farms. Decide the approximate number of pounds you want to purchase at one time, allow ⅓ of this poundage for waste bones and trimmings. Figure 6 cu. ft. storage space for each 210-270 pounds (exact weight depends on compactness of packaging, good boning).
Are there sportsmen in the family who might bag game meat or fish for the freezer?	If you do not desire to provide space in your freezer for game, provisions for freezing and storage of such products usually can be made at a nearby locker plant. But it is advisable under any circumstances to provide as much as 4 or 6 cu. ft. of extra storage space for extra items such as ice cream, home-baked bread, cake, and pies.
How large a freezer will you need?	If you decide to freeze only fruits and vegetables, about 3 or 4 cu. ft. storage space per person will be needed. If you decide to freeze fruits, vegetables *and* meats, allow about 6 cu. ft. storage space per person. But if you are set for an all-inclusive freezer program, you won't go wrong allowing as much as 8 cu. ft. space per person.
Where will your freezer be located? In the garage? Basement? Enclosed back porch? Is either kitchen or pantry large enough for it? Would you like both town and country residence service?	Locate the freezer before you buy it, for you may have to reconcile the style and size needed to the floor space available. If you prefer a chest freezer, for instance, and wish your frozen food supply handy to the kitchen, but sufficient floor space is not available, you may have to buy an upright freezer instead. If you need a large freezer and you have no single floor area big enough to accommodate it, perhaps two medium-to-large-size freezers will serve you better. If the only location for the freezer is not handy to the kitchen, you may find it convenient to keep a large freezer for the bulk of your supply in garage or basement, a small one in your kitchen. This plan will also serve town and country purposes.



PHOTOGRAPH BY LUCIEN AIGNER

by Richard Williams

How to develop taste for and in music

Continued from April issue

Our readers who have long memories may recall that last month I tried to persuade them that the pleasure of music is to be had for the listening, and that no technical knowledge nor introductory study is required in order to get excitement and satisfaction from our really good music.

That is true of all music, for, unlike Gaul, music is not divided into three parts: that is, things you can whistle, things that everybody can listen to, and things for high-browed initiates only. No, all music is composed to be the property of anybody who is interested. Every composition is everybody's child.

If we set up any distinctions and divisions, it's not music but music lovers that can be divided into three: those who really know about music, those who think they do and don't, and those who don't know, know they don't know, and yet love music. Give me number three any day in the week!

Now, perhaps you feel that I've made it all sound too easy, that, like the man in the village whom you ask for directions, I've just pointed out the main roads and forgotten about the little streets where you can get lost. But though there might be small detours around, the main road, believe me, is clear. The only way to learn to enjoy music is to listen to it with an open mind and ear, and not to seek "explanations" and "meanings."

I have seen it work out with many people of my acquaintance, who have become ardent music lovers simply by getting interested in music and by going to enough concerts and hearing enough records, and that without preliminary preparation. (*Continued on page 179*)

Old Colony

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OGRAPH BY PAUL DAVIS

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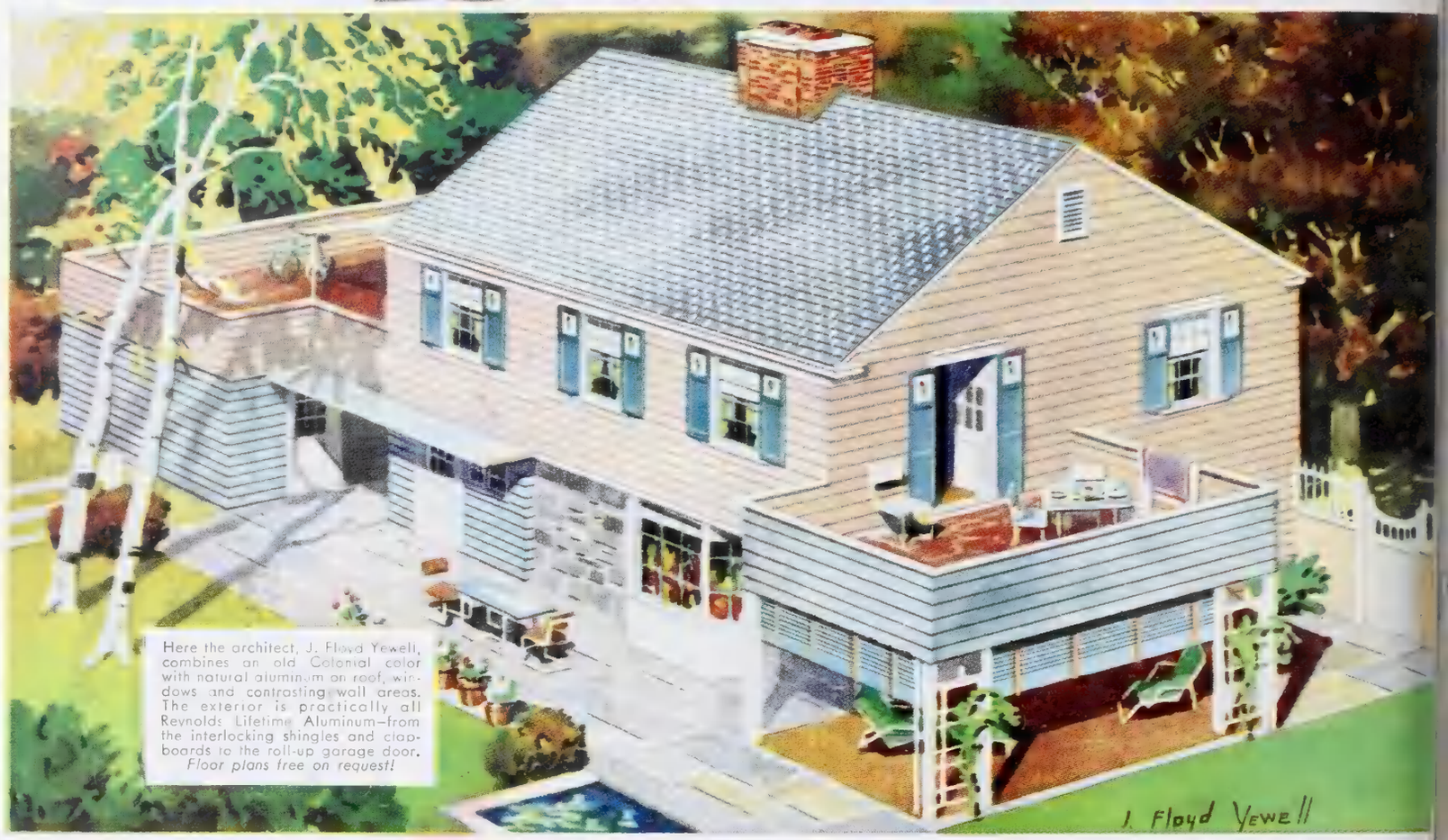
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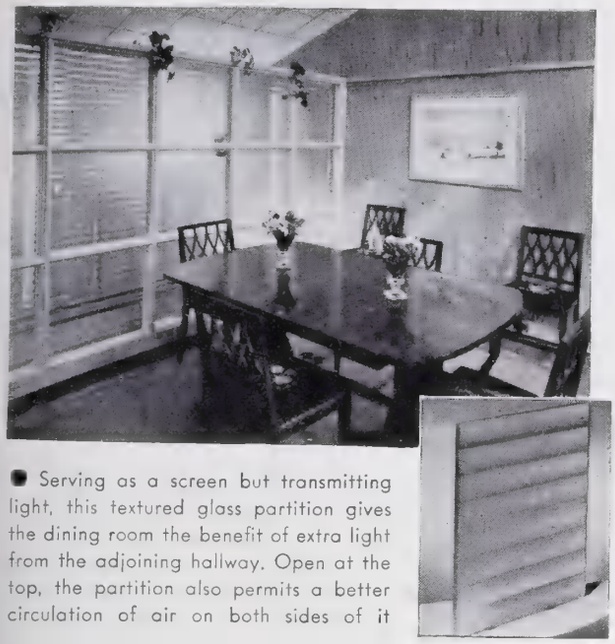


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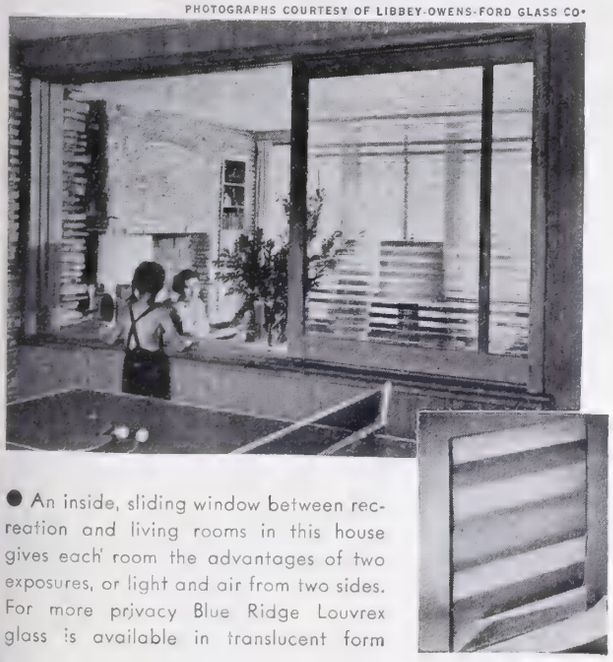


● Serving as a screen but transmitting light, this textured glass partition gives the dining room the benefit of extra light from the adjoining hallway. Open at the top, the partition also permits a better circulation of air on both sides of it

BORROW LIGHT 'rom a Sunny Room

Adjoining rooms can enjoy extra daylight. Use new glass partitions between them which are translucent but not transparent

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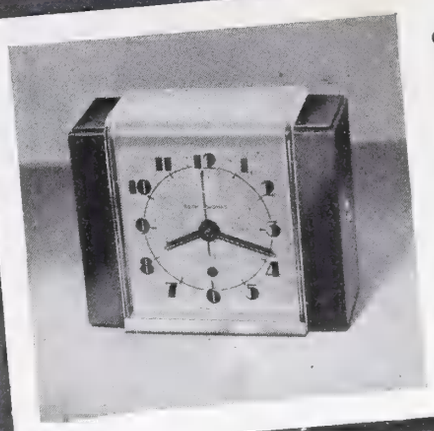
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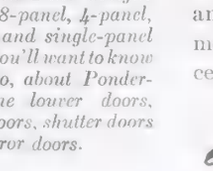
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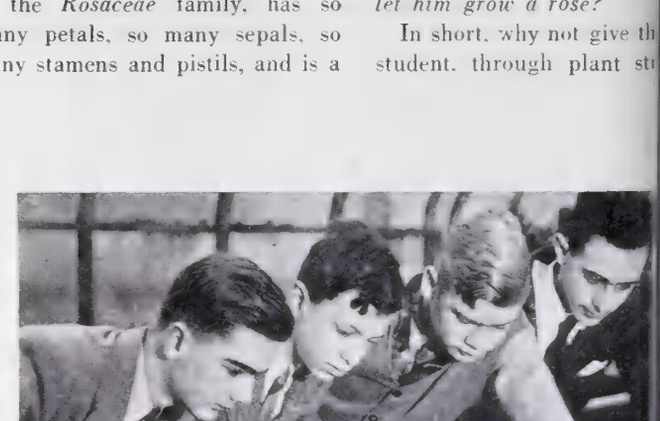
BOTANY OR GARDENING?

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and labeling (with impossible-sounding names that don't mean a thing to him), a lot of plants of no consequence to him as an individual. If he isn't planning to go into horticulture as a life career, why must he learn the *least* exciting facts about plant life?

Why, for example, must he dissect a rose, report that it belongs to the *Rosaceae* family, has so many petals, so many sepals, so many stamens and pistils, and is a member of the same family the apple? Has this any be appreciation? Why not let out what kinds of roses grov his part of the country and soil they flourish? Why not learn how they are to be c what varieties could be bring beauty to his own ba and into his own house? *let him grow a rose?*

In short, why not give th student, through plant st



Making miniature gardens allows your children to express artistry and at the same time unconsciously pick up some bot

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The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the Campfire Girls offer good na-
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children may, if they wish, work
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ects. The success of the Four-H
Clubs in developing young horti-
culturists, of course, is well known.
And in almost every city where
there is a garden club, there is a
special program of some kind in
which children can participate.

If none of these resources is
available in your community, there
still is a vast assortment of books
on the subject, for children from
six to sixteen, which are written
in such a way that they could not
help but stimulate a youngster's
interest in growing things.

Of course, if you've been inoc-
ulated with the gardening bug
yourself, there's no better way of
stimulating your child's interest
than to let him dig and plant along
with you and, later, when he has
got into the spirit, give him his
own plot to work. And if you
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ONE WONDERFUL ROOM can take the curse off a cracker box

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● We are overcome with so much drawer space. After years of tucking our silver away in flannel bags in a suitcase, it's fun to see it in a place of its own. Large drawers take tablecloths on rollers

FROM HADES TO HEAVEN

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tested the "sitability" of chairs, cked the storage capacity of sts, and in general acquired the ling that the house furnishings e part of both of us.

We were to appreciate later, too, fine elements of color coordi- ing when the cans of Martin- our paint were opened. Not for was there to be any agonizing h the painter over how to match living room ceiling to the Erin en of our rug and upholstery. rtin-Senour paint, pre-matched any of the Guild colors, needs y a painter with a brush. Not to overlooked when figuring costs, the fact that one coat covers. Value-wise, the Guild furnish- s plan offered us more than we r expected. Because of its high struction standards, we knew were buying quality merchan- e. Nor was there any chance of being stampeded or befuddled tasteless, expensive errors. No ter what we chose—lamps, irs, wallpaper, rugs—we couldn't ke a mistake. Everything had n so planned and designed that ll went together in a sufficiently ge number of variables for us to ress our own individuality.

For a couple in our position, the ld products turned out to be nishings with a future. We ered only what we needed for first house with the possibility adding the missing parts some e later. For example, we bought ctional sofa with only one arm. er on, for a larger house, we'll another section with the op- ite arm. Similarly, we chose y four dining room chairs with sibly more to follow.

n every way we're grateful to home decorating field. Not all "gold" was in the Guild, for we came across other help, too. We did not know, until we heard of Rusco Montex Tape, that our Venetian blinds could be taped in any color on the inside to match the color schemes in each room, while the outside tapes could be all one shade, thus avoiding a jarring confusion to the eye of passersby.

We feel the Guild provided us with contemporary, yet timeless, furnishings. We feel, too, that the building contractors of America can learn a great deal from the progressive and up-to-date thinking employed in "package" decorating.

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received that answer with minor iations. "You want one large nbination living and dining m? It can't be done. The house l collapse. . . . You want book lves built to the ceiling in the ng room? It can't be done. The f will cave in. . . . You want get rid of that wonderful hall? u'll be sorry. You're reducing value of the house."

We had to fight, argue, threaten, ole, and bicker for every single nge. We found out the hard way that the average contractor is reactionary, obstinate, restrictive, backward, fearful of change or progress, and unimaginative. We found the same goes in spades for building codes which are badly in need of modernization.

Were it not for the aid of our architect friend and the home furnishings industry, the interior of our house would look as sorry as the exterior. That it doesn't, you may convince yourself by turning to pages 109-10-11.

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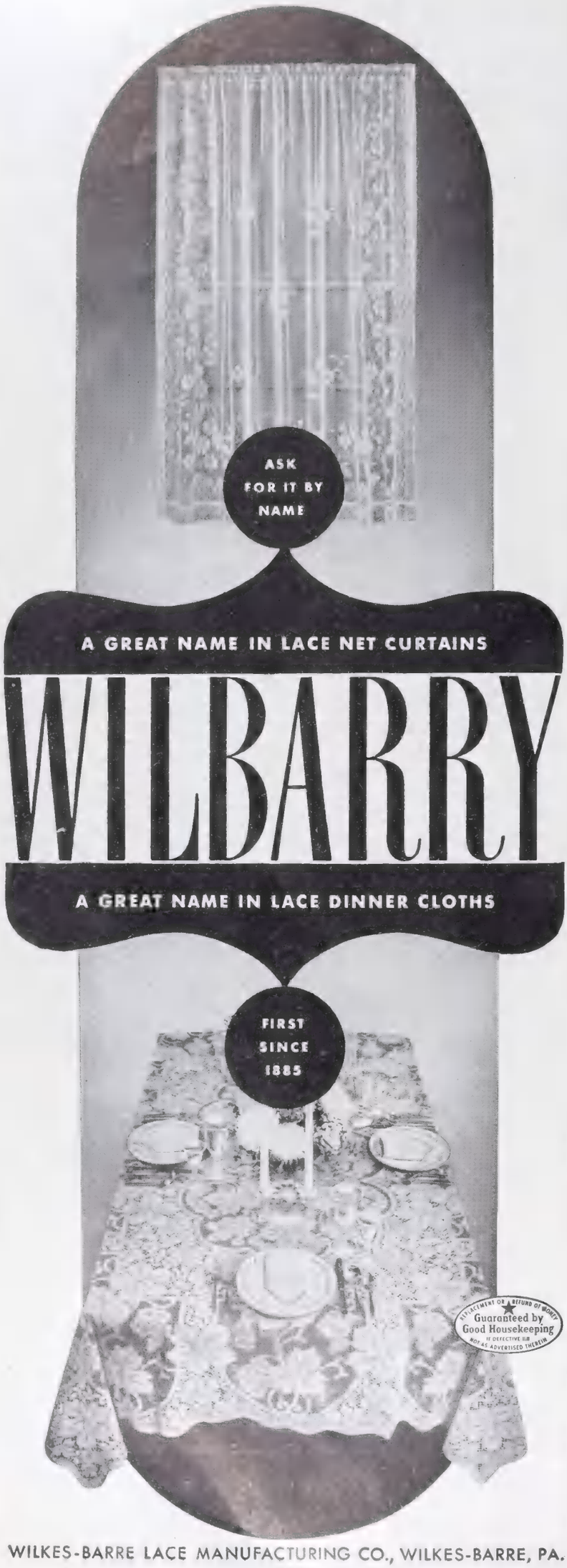
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Mr. Crane looked at us tolerantly. "Would I sign a contract saying I could build a house in 120 days if I couldn't?"

We felt abashed. "Just wanted to be sure," we mumbled.

"Don't worry," Mr. Crane assured us. "It's in the bag."

Exactly 120 days later, our house was nothing but a foundation and a wooden frame. After the first two weeks, all progress on it had ceased. We were trapped. Furious, we stomped down to Mr. Crane's and demanded an explanation. "No materials," Crane explained.

"But you told us," we innocently insisted, "that you *had* all the materials."

"Look, kids," Crane brushed us off. "Things are tough all over. If you can find some stucco wire around town, I'll try and get it tacked up for you."

As eloquently as we could, we repeated our desperate plight. The baby was due in three months. We were living in a one-room hellhole. It had no heat, no kitchen, only a Murphy bed. Our furniture was coming in daily from San Francisco. We were having to pay storage on it. We just had to have our house. Crane shrugged his shoulders.

"What else do you need to complete the house besides stucco wire?" we finally asked.

"Nothing," Crane said. "I've got everything else."

We scouted all over Los Angeles County and fortunately, through the intervention of friends, came up with seven rolls of wire. A week after the wire was delivered to Mr.



Crane, he phoned and sweetly thanked us for it but announced at the same time that no further construction progress was possible until we obtained a quantity of furring nails. We hit the ceiling.

"In God's name," we shouted, "what kind of a liar are you anyway? You told us you had everything other than the wire. Now you need furring nails. What will you need next? What are we paying you for? We might as well our own contractors."

Crane remained untouched our outburst. If we wanted a hou we'd have to get furring nails. lieve it or not, we got the furri nails. The stucco wiring was tack up, and we were told that the hou would be plastered within a we

One week passed, two wee passed, three weeks, five wee seven weeks. Nine weeks after promised plaster date, Mr. Cra admitted to us that he had no pl ter. "What's more," he blandly st ed, "I can't get any."

We got the plaster but it did help any. The baby was born fore the house was finished, a we were compelled, at an exor tant rental, to sublease a frien apartment. Even then, Mr. Cra seemed unperturbed at our predi ment. When we notified him t every bit of plumbing in the kitch



had been installed incorrectly, told us not to worry. Everyth would be taken care of. He the upon promptly caught a plane Honolulu and spent the next th weeks lolling about Waikiki Bea

After nine months of disappo ment, heartaches, constant wr gling and threats, the house, though not finished, was availa for occupancy. We had our carp laid, our kitchen cabinets install our stove and refrigerator hool up for use.

We went to Mr. Crane and asl for the key to the house. A mantly, he refused to give it to unless we signed a certificate completion and handed h m a ch for $1,500 over and above the pr okayed by the bank and called in our original contract.

We were amazed. We had Mr. Crane wire, nails, and plas We had saved him much constr tion when our friend simplified improved the floor plan. We provided our own wallpaper, own paint, our own bathroom tures, our own kitchen cabin our own sink. And now he woul let us move in unless we gave $1,500. The delay in construct had already cost us over a thous dollars.

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He talks only to our lawyer.

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sure that you know all there
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tions, and assessments in your particular neighborhood.

3. Don't build a home without an architect.

4. Under no circumstances use stock plans.

5. Make certain that your plans and specifications are quite specific, definite, and complete; and that your contractor adheres to them.

6. Do not have a small house built by a "small" contractor. It will take longer and cost at least 20% more.

7. Sign no "extra" agreements with your contractor without first consulting your lawyer.

8. Make sure that your contractor is bonded.

9. Find out before you purchase any land what kind of water is piped into the community, soft or hard, and whether you will need a softener.

10. Sign no certificate of completion until your architect or another experienced builder has inspected and checked every portion of your house.

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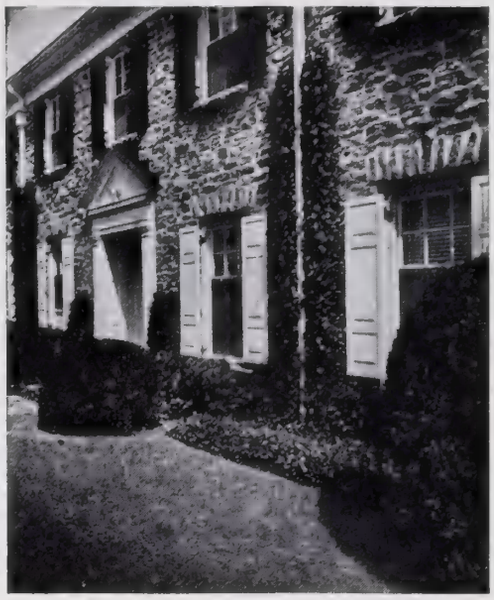
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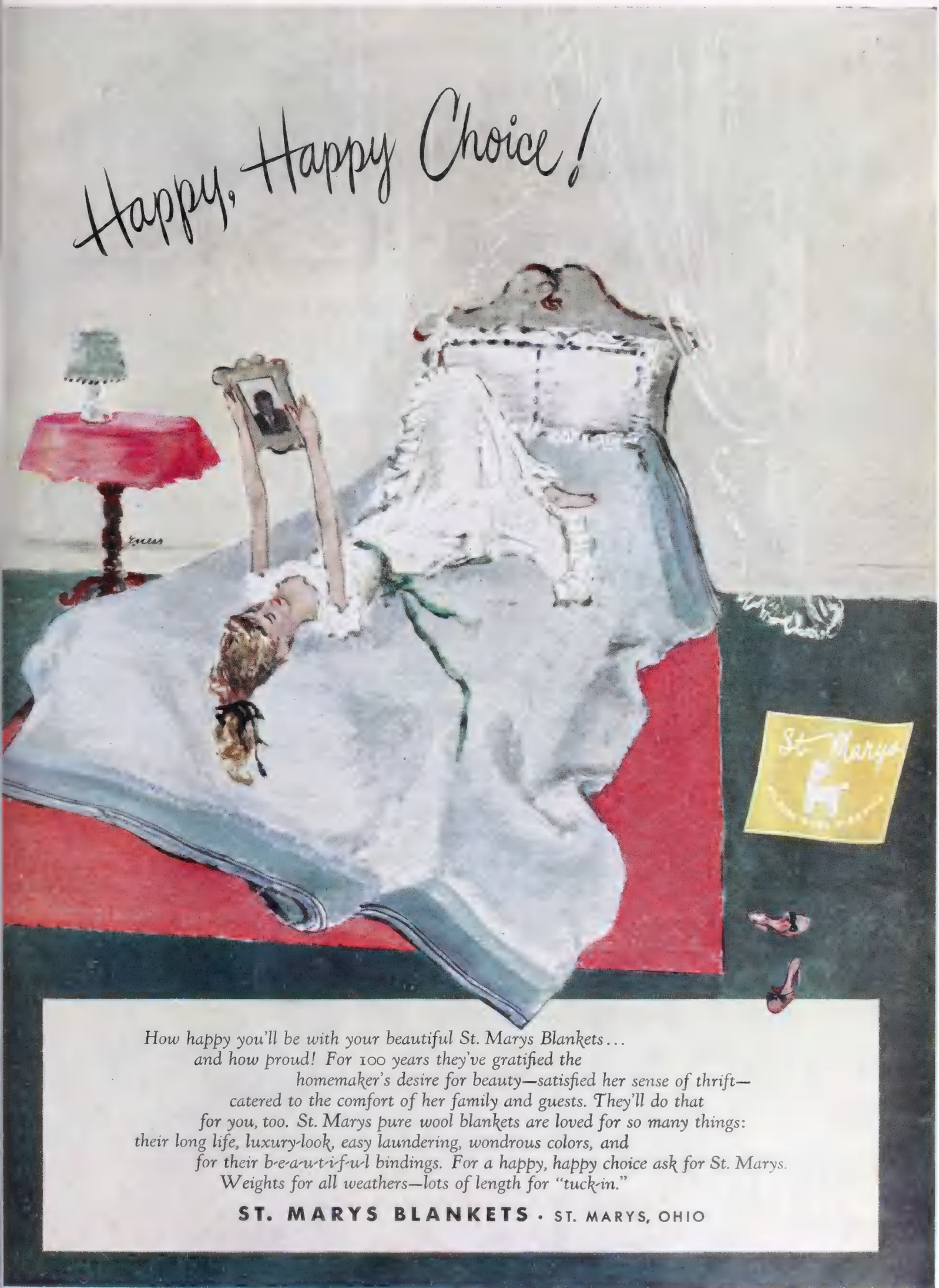
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● The window is modern, the house is Victorian in vintage, but they are getting along together very well indeed. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kenney

Traditional House CAN have Picture Windows

By Ned Morris

O YOU like the spacious effect of rooms in older houses? And, the same time, do you also like new, indoor-outdoor spaciousss you get from modern window lls? Well, see here how well they be combined and with how little ongruity of "style." This is a Victorian house in which the owner installed a fixed glass panel almost from floor to ceiling. Since the glass doesn't open, the room is ventilated from other sources. The tree helps to shade the window from hot sun. Even though wall is almost entirely of glass, there is no glare.



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● Concentrate the bright colors of geraniums by grouping several plants in white pots. Garden of the William G. Reeds in Seattle, Washington

Grow Your Terrace Plants In Pots

By Alice L. Dustan

Geraniums, lantanas, fuchsias, and other pot plants will give summer-long color. They are easy to grow and to store, even in the North

PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAYNARD PARKER



● Let pot plants echo other flower motifs in your garden. Here, Paris daisies repeat the daisy masses beside posts, and little English daisies edge stone steps into the garden



● If you live in the North, a deep frame or pit makes fine winter housing for semi-hardy subjects, like geraniums and certain bulbous plants

ıle in California and the far ıth take full advantage of the h of plants they can grow in If your garden is in almost ther part of the country, you shy away from pot plants be- they amount to too heavy a ıal investment.

ıe, they do if you let your freeze at the end of the er. But there is a group ımmer-flowering, semi-hardy that you can store easily ıt cluttering up your cellar. ou need is a storage pit or coldframe, as above. It should ncrete-lined, and the floor l extend two feet below d level, or deeper if you have lants. Some plants can even ried over in a garage if the rature is above freezing.

his month stop at your favor- rist's and make a permanent ment in all the lantanas, ger- s, and sweet-scented verbe- nas you can afford. Yes, and try those rarer but very handsome plants, cape plumbago and nandina, and the summer-flowering gardenia. You'll find tall accents in oleander and crape myrtle, and for good measure you can plant agapanthus and crinum bulbs.

In the fall, when danger of frost approaches, all you need do is trim back your plants slightly and place them in the pit, the tallest at the bottom, so they will have plenty of head-room. The pit should be kept frost-free all winter with sash and matting added. Ventilate on mild, sunny days.

Plants will start into growth without urging after you have removed matting in the spring. Transfer them to your terrace when all danger of frost is past. Repot if necessary (if roots have pushed through the hole in the pot) and feed only after the plants are completely leafed out.

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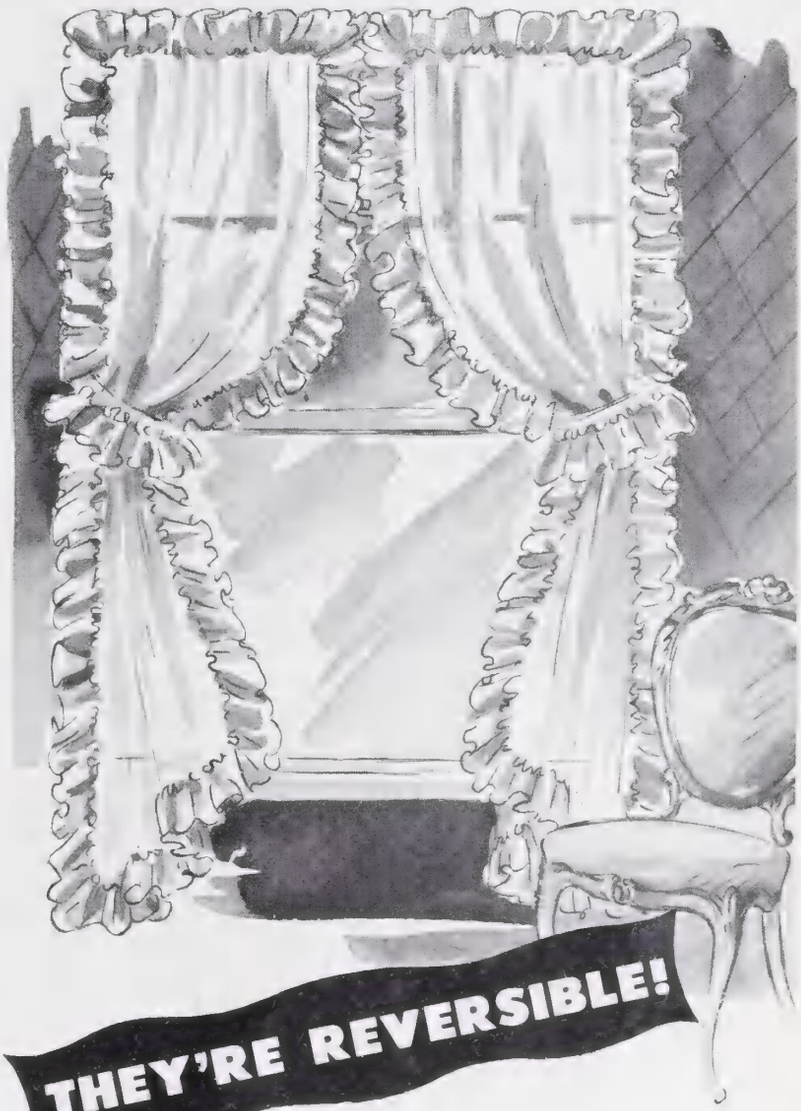


● In the Wagenseller garden, Beverly Hills, also shown opposite, landscape architect Frank L. Anderson has used squat handmade pots of geraniums and verbenas to crown low posts



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● If you have a country garden, you can carve a "sitting out" spot from the shrubbery, or locate one on the bend of a path, as in the grounds of Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles

Every Garden Needs A PRIVATE NOOK

No matter where your garden grows, you should add a bench in the shade

Most of us today plan our gardens as retreats from the busy world. But, so often, we forget to include a comfortable nook in which to sit and view the garden, without ourselves being in the spotlight.

Yet, how important this is, for how can you improve your garden —or your life in general—unless you take time to sit and dream and view the whole with perspe

When you look for a sp your private garden nook, let shaded during the heat of the noon, out of sight of the neig and with a nice glimpse of a ite garden vista. Include ir bench that is comfortable b the same time, suitable to you den and house architecture.

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● Even a city garden deserves a private nook. This modest but comfortable spot is part of the patio of Winchton L. Risley's architectural office, also in Los Angeles, Calif



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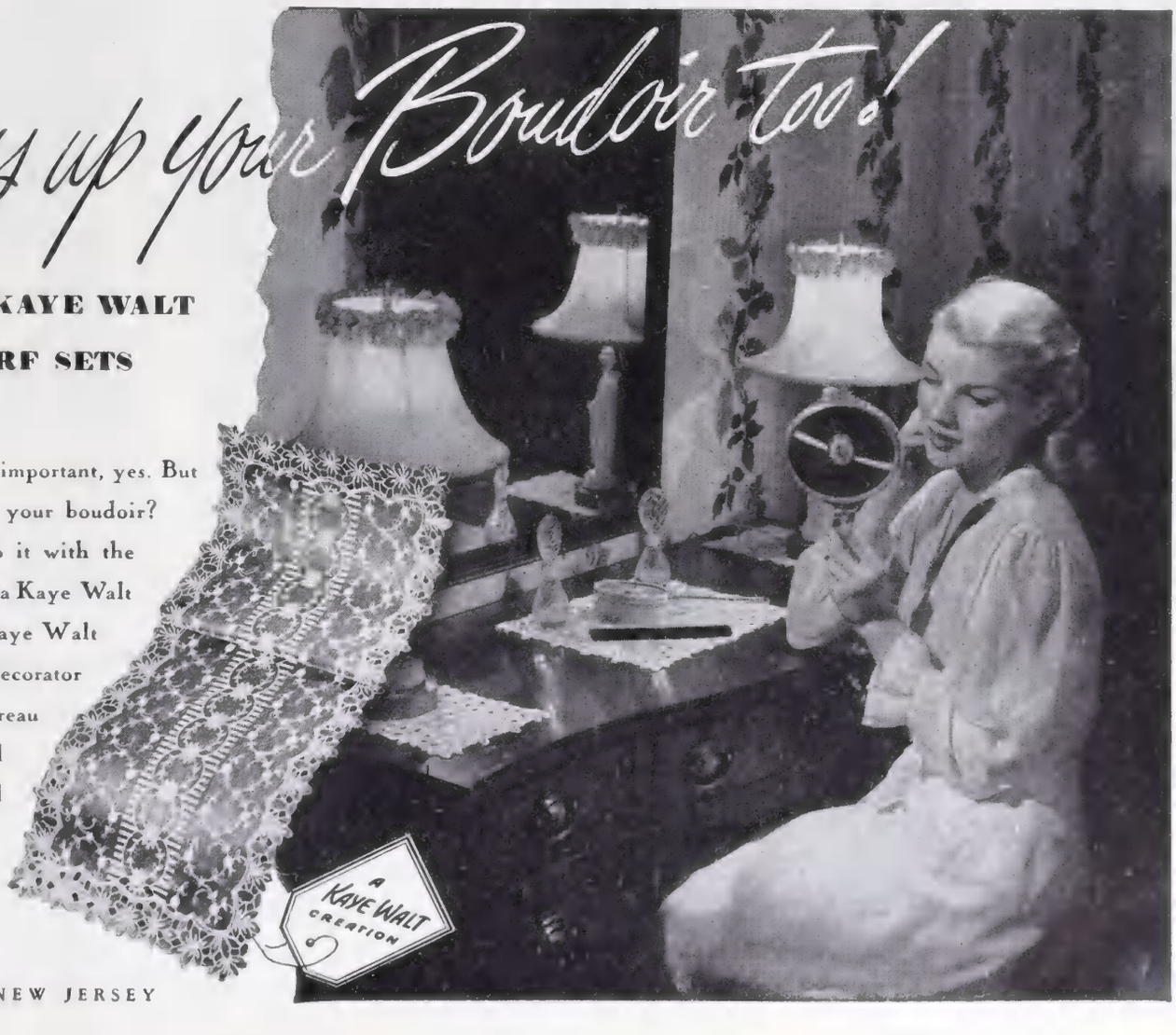
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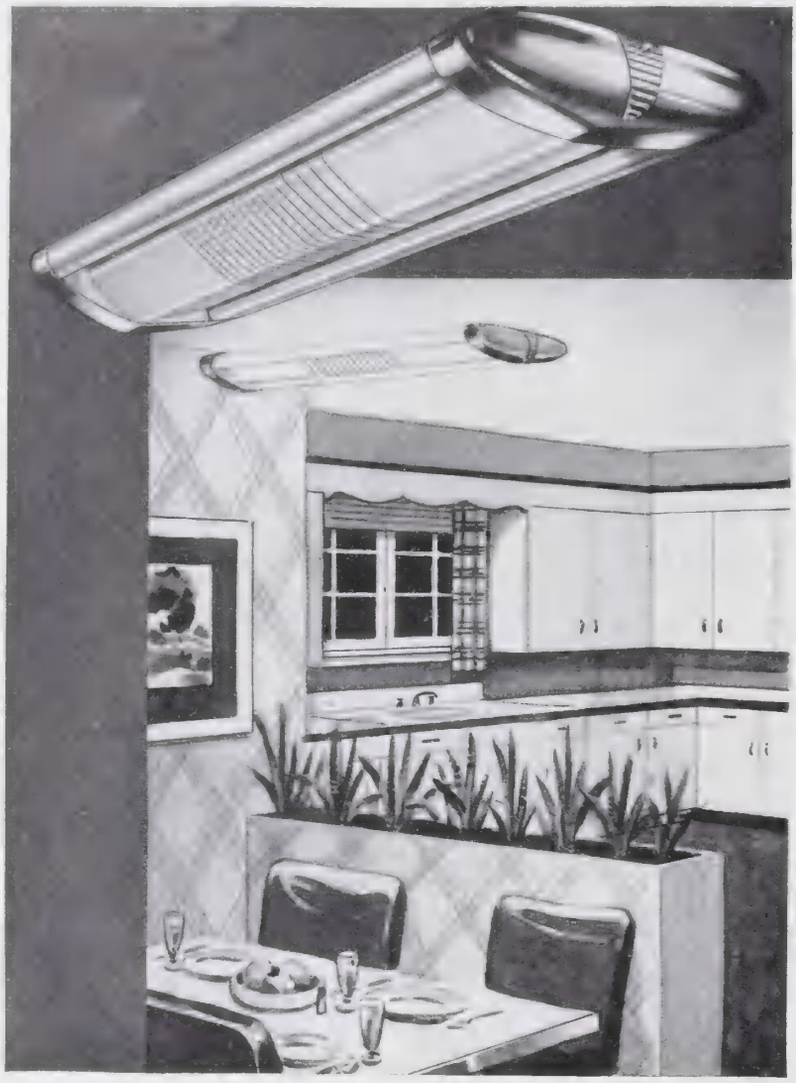
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HOW TO FEED A TREE

BY GARDNER EWING

Gardeners are often so concerned with enriching the soil in their flower and vegetable gardens that they entirely neglect their trees. Or they may mistakenly think that trees get sufficient nourishment from fertilizer broadcast over the lawn every spring or fall. As a result, trees on the average home grounds are usually badly undernourished and never attain their full beauty.

The leaf crop of a full-grown tree contains about 40 pounds of nitrogenous matter and about 10 pounds of mineral elements drawn from the soil.

In the forest, decaying leaves and grass replenish the soil with these nutrients. However, the average lawn is closely clipped and the grass trimmings are often removed. Leaves are not permitted to pile up and decay. Hence, little or no humus returns to the soil to reinvigorate the tree. As a result, the soil becomes so depleted that a tree often suffers from malnutrition or starvation.

Annual lawn fertilization does little good because it provides insufficient nourishment and draws tree roots to the soil surface, subjecting them to drought.

Starvation of trees is a gr process and, therefore, you fail to notice the symptoms ir trees. Twig growth slows year to year, the foliage be smaller, and after a time the die here and there. Thus weal your tree becomes prey to merable insects and diseases.

It may take years to corre condition so if you are wis will feed your shade trees you observe these results.

A well-balanced diet a once a year will keep a tre mally healthy. The major el essential to tree growth— growth in other plants—are gen, phosphoric acid, and p Nitrogen results in abundant foliage. Phosphoric acid e ages root development an creases winter hardiness drought resistance. Potash toughness and strength to growth.

You can buy ready-mixe food. The best mixture c a high percentage of organic rial. The organic matter is sary to encourage the develo of beneficial bacteria. It consists of such materials scrap and animal manure.

Use a minimum of three pounds of food for each inch of trunk diameter. This amount can be increased with decided benefit to a tree.

By boring holes with a crow bar or electric drill you or a tree man can place the food well below the surface. The holes should be ten to eighteen inches deep at three-foot intervals. Beginning three to five feet beyond the branch spread, treat the entire area beneath the



tree, except for a circle around the trunk with a radius of one-fourth of the branch spread.

You can fill the holes with alternate layers of plant food and sand and cap them with a thin layer of good soil, sprinkling grass seed on top or replacing the original sod. The use of sand permits water to percolate from the surface to dilute the food into soluble form which the root system of the tree can easily absorb.

Liquid feeding or invigoration is advisable where more rapid growth is required than in the dry-feeding method. This more stimulating method may be necessary when a tree is greatly weakened by annual defoliation or is suffering from a serious infestation by bark or cambium borers.

Invigoration consists of injecting a dilution of soluble plant food into the soil about the roots. A nozzle is shoved into the ground and the solution is sprayed under high pressure so that it quickly reaches the tiny hair roots. This assures the availability of nitrogen, phosphoric acid, and potash, as well as several of the minor element nutrients, such as copper, iron, and boron.

Because of the special equipment required, liquid plant food is usually administered by trained tree men. Dry fertilizer can be given by the home gardener, but he should plan to use a plant food that is made up especially for trees.

Spring is the ideal time to feed trees because they are in most active growth and quickly utilize the ingredients for twig and leaf growth. You can feed trees through June, but withhold fertilizer the latter part of the summer to discourage the formation of soft growth that may winterkill.

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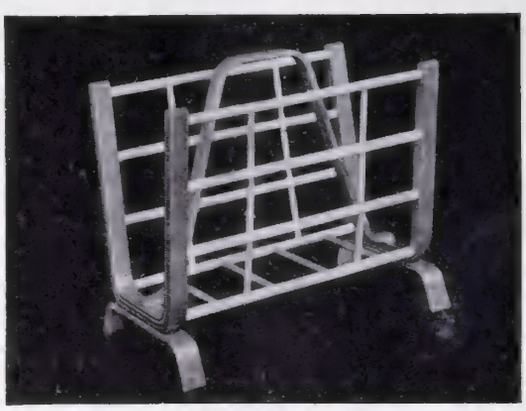
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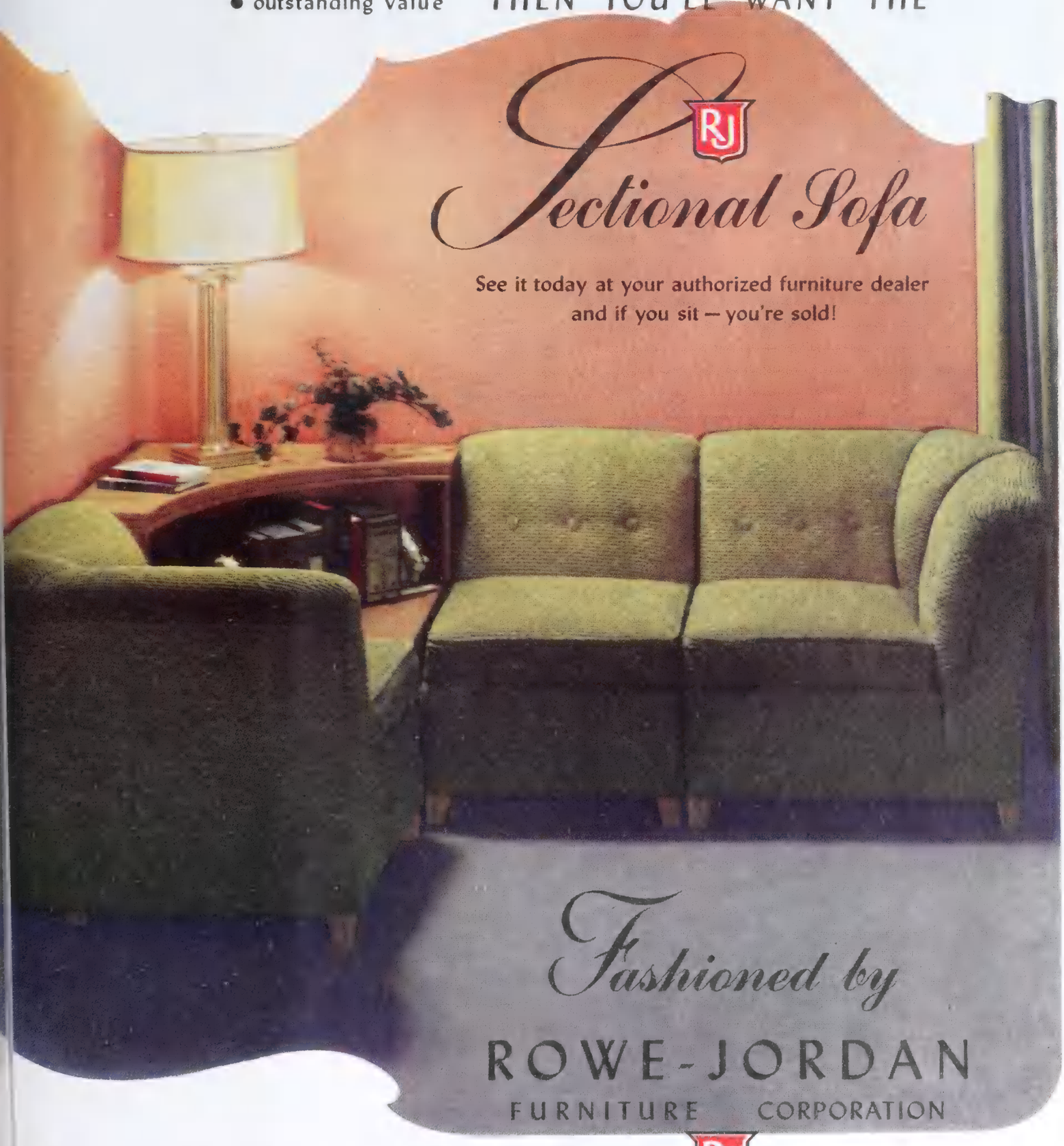


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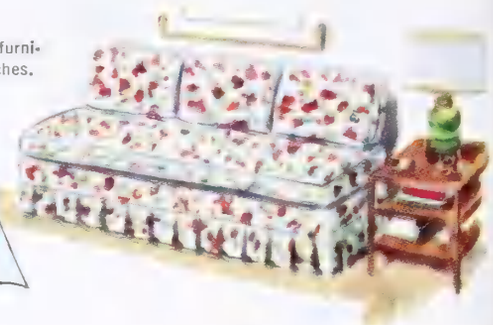
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ugh it may appear so, the of this unsightly condition ly because the owners ran out ney in building their house. e most part it is simply a to make adequate provision functions a service entrance perform. Milk bottles and or waste must be accessible service door. Garden equip- and children's possessions ave no other parking place dy. So it is up to you to face cts. Organize your service entry so it provides convenient storage space or shelter for such utilitarian things. Since they *must* be stored, see to it that they are stored in eye-acceptable order, preferably under cover. That's the only way your house can appear as attractive to your neighbors (as they see it from their side and rear views) as it does to you walking up the front path.

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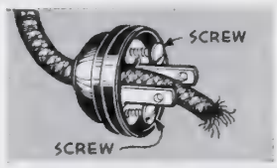
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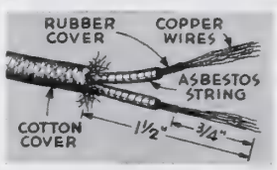
Follow these rules for simple cord repairs

BREAKS AT OUTLET PLUGS



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When cord is broken at outlet plug detach the plug cover from it. Loosen screws and slip off cover. Braided cord encloses two groups of wire



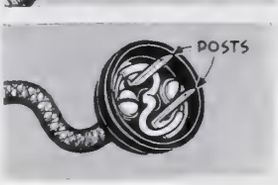
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Cut cord at break, strip back cotton cover 1½". Now peel ¾" of rubber insulation from two groups of copper wire, also asbestos string cove



3

After scraping wires clean, twist each of the two groups into a single strand. Bind the ragged end of cotton cover with ¼" wide electric tape



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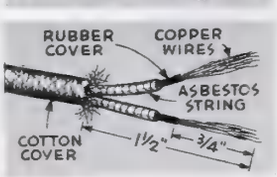
Push two branches of wire through plug cover. Knot them, pass around contact posts, and wind around screws. When wires are under, tighten screws

BREAKS AT APPLIANCE PLUGS



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Some irons, percolators, toaster have these appliance plugs. When cord breaks near plug, open plug and loosen inside screws, remove cord end



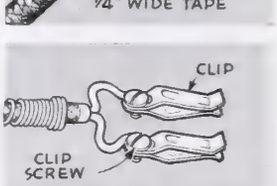
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Now take the full length of cord and give broken end a new clean cut. Strip back cotton cover and rubber insulation as described for outlet plug



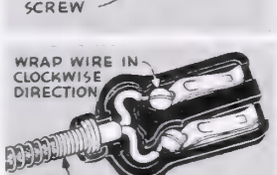
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Twisting each group of copper wire into a single strand, new branches are formed. They are knotted at intersection, then are ready for clip screws



4

The two branches are connected to the clip screws which are made to fit into the appliance plug. Each branch is wound on screws in clockwise order



5

Now wire is replaced in appliance plug. Channels receive wire branches and clips to which they are connected. Tighten screws, replace cover

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HOW TO DEVELOP A TASTE FOR MUSIC

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If you feel that there may be something to what I believe, and if you want to give this jump-and-plunge theory a try, I should like to offer you this suggestion: Instead of beginning your listening career with lighter or shorter pieces, begin by selecting a few symphonies.

It may seem topsy-turvy to you for me to recommend that you begin with symphonies, which represent one of the loftiest forms of music. Why, you say, should I start at the top and work down?

Well, first of all, if it is true that great music makes a direct appeal to all who are interested, that it appeals to people even if they know nothing about music, then one might just as well start with the best. The symphony has been a favorite form of composers since the time of Haydn, and into it they have poured some of their best power and thought. In orchestral music the symphony represents the most solid and most substantial citizen. Because so much great music is to be found in symphonies, it is only natural that you should give the symphony your first attention.

ONE might compare the symphony with the novel in literature. Like the novel, its scope and panorama are broad; like the novel, it is capable of infinite variations. There exists, however, an important difference between the two, a difference that is true in general of listening to music as against reading a book. How many novels do you re-read? Very few indeed! A symphony, on the other hand, you can—in fact, you must—hear many, many times. You can hear it always with renewed pleasure and with *more* pleasure as you come to know it better. You can hear a great symphony countless times, you can hear it all through your life, and you will never feel that you have heard it to the end, that you have heard everything that there is in it. This is the main

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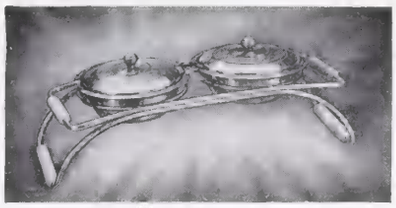
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reason why I suggest that at an early stage you form acquaintance with a few of the most important symphonies. It is an acquaintance that will develop into a permanent and profitable relationship. It is a lifetime investment.

I know that to some the word symphony has an ominous sound. Somebody, I have forgotten who, said there are a few people who believe that a symphony has three movements—*in*, *up*, and *out*. It is also true that the nature of symphonic writing consists of taking short themes and putting these themes through development and adventure, and that, therefore, the beauty of a symphony is not necessarily achieved through the obvious beauty of a melody. But that is highly unimportant. And you shouldn't have any prejudice against a Greek word which means simply "a concord of sound."

Of course, I do not mean to suggest that your musical listening consist exclusively of symphonies. Any more than you would limit your reading exclusively to large novels would you set out to slough off other kinds of music. Every form has pleasure.

You may be interested to know which are the most popular symphonies. We know this from sales of recordings and from various polls of radio audiences and concert-goers. These choices represent not only the most popular symphonies; they represent also the greatest. The two are not contradictory. Because these are the most popular symphonies, it follows that they are most easily available in good recordings, and the ones most frequently played in radio concerts. In fact, every one of these symphonies has been recorded in several versions.

I list them in the approximate order of their popularity: Beethoven's Fifth, Beethoven's Third, Tchaikovsky's Sixth, Brahms' First, Beethoven's Ninth, Beethoven's Seventh, Tchaikovsky's Fifth, Schubert's Unfinished, Mozart's G Minor, César Franck's D Minor, Dvorak's Symphony from the New World, Brahms' Fourth, Sibelius' Second.



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My dear fellow:

Anybody who is anybody k
that a soffit is something tha
around under a ceiling to m
look as though it had been
all the time. A kind of space
It's quite obvious that you'r
au courant. Why don't you ke
with things more?

You would scarcely rec
the Shearers these days-
speak another language en
(Esperanto on box springs,
pect.) In the exotic blackn
The Beachcomber, Skippy ha
heard to observe that the fe
tion is inadequate, and
stopped dead in the middle
Farmers' Market yesterday t
der where she could find
grummets. In fact, all you h
say is that you want a gl
water and they will tell you



with that twenty-eight per
the country has to put u
hard water.

It has got so that I'm af
open my mouth. I'm making
though, hoping eventually
gage my friends and associ
conversation.

They are so full of wh
and therebys and second th
on first mortgages that it is
believe we ever had anyth
common during those kha
nings chez Shearer and Her
Remember the days when
lived in one-room apartmer
talked trivialities like politi
hot jazz and Hemingwa
Faulkner?

Well, I guess nothing eve
compares to the excitement
first home—except maybe
first child and your first pa
so I forgive them. I only h
will get a chance to go thro
same phase—and soon. (
Mr. Martoni?)

When I come home I w
you all about the glyphs
grummets so you won't f
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isolated little fenestration you looking out on life.
ravel is so broadening.
Love,
Helen

. David U. Herrmann
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ome home before you are so adened, I don't recognize you.
David

id U. Herrmann
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aven't heard from you in a . Are you all right?
Helen

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erly Hills Hotel
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am taking courses at night and n't had a minute.
David

d U. Herrmann
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hat courses? Send pictures of teacher.
Helen

n, you gazebo—*
hat a suspicious character you Here I sit, slaving over the hot lingo of the post-and-lintel through the long lonely nights, and you hurl insinuations at me the size of a Florida orange. My time is taken up with my work. I am merely learning to speak your language so we will have something in common when you return.

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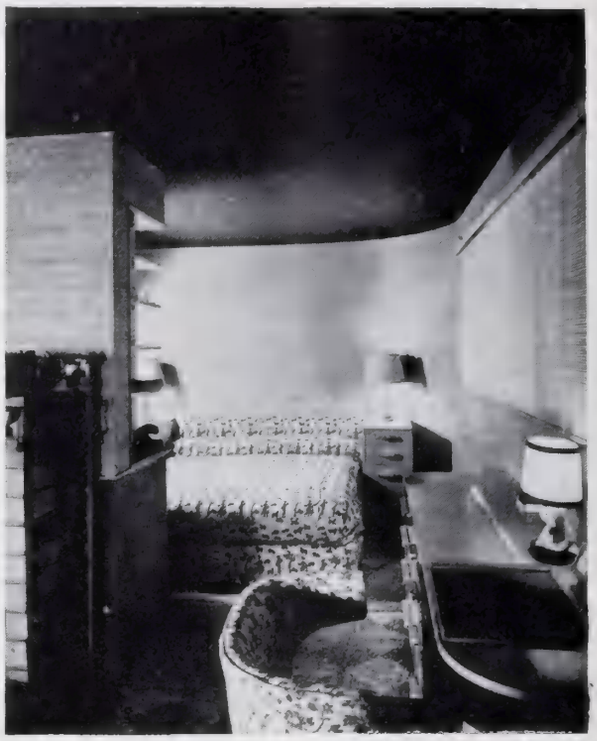
David











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● In this California room, the box spring of a double bed is trimly encased in the same printed fabric used for the spread, the pillow cover, the headboard, and the chair

New Ideas For DRESSING A BED

The flounce is the thing. It may be tailored for a crisp effect or elaborated for a feminine look

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Surprise! Surprise!

By ZULMA STEELE

At some low moment of our lives —and the Fates decree it shall be a very low moment indeed —every one of us runs smack into that fiendish little social teaser, the Planned Surprise. It may leap upon you from the lips of a smiling friend, or its false ribbons and tinsel may conceal a calculated jab from your worst enemy.

Whoever the perpetrator of the crime is, you find yourself challenged with the shout: "Surprise! Surprise!" Grinning conspirators gather to observe how quickly you rally from the shock. Have you your wits and manners about you? Do you thank your tormentors with just the proper accent of arch reproach?

For the planned surprise—blood brother to that other loathsome creation of idle minds, the practical joke—carries with it the obligation on the part of the victim to appear delighted. As soon admit oneself lacking in the all-important sense of humor as to fail to rise to the noxious bait.

"I thought of calling to see if you were in," warbles the apparition on your doorstep, "but then I decided: No, I'll just run in and surprise you!" And you aren't the drawing-room Milquetoast we think you are if you don't rise to the occasion with that last bottom bottle of Scotch.

At such outrage of privacy, I rise—surprising everyone including myself—to utter a small scream of protest. Let no brash creature think to bludgeon his way into *my* good graces by presenting a well-wrapped present—himself or any other prize package. I don't care, thank you, to be knocked over with any feathers today.

This ostrich view applies equally to the synonymous counterparts of surprise, i.e., the sudden burst, thunderclap, blow, bolt out of the blue, astoundment (rare), amazement (rare)—and so on down the page. Since I am fundamentally averse to situations which must be greeted with shouts of gladness, they cannot be rare (*syn.*: archaic) enough to suit me. I cannot feel at my best under circumstances which Roget informs us will dumbfound (or dumfounder), startle, electrify, stun, stupefy, confound, bewilder, flabb (colloq.), stagger, throw o one's (*my*—could he mean?) end.

If you please, surprises, 'way from my door.

It was the party thrown b guided friends on my th birthday that really sot me ways. That milestone is a stin any woman's life—and fewer ago in mine than might be ined from this protesting s

All that day I had manag creep about unnoticed, mi my own unhappy business of into middle age. Secretly, I upon such markers on the r disintegration as bifocals, b work, fallen arches. It would right, I told myself grimly, j nobody noticed the signs of Leaning upon a none-too- spiritual crutch, I tottered at fall to what I fondly believed be a quiet haven from the

BUT no sooner had the opened upon the blessed da our apartment than Lo, there light! Not only light but lau from assembled friends whopped upon me, hysterical greetings, confetti, packages an enthusiastic if out-of-tune dition of *Happy Birthday to*

Highball glass in hand, they orted, sang, chortled. I stooc side the circle, the dazed an happy cause of a Surprise initiated, I found out later, roommate whose sterling cha admits the sole fault that she not forget a date. For a ter moment I bethought me of I braves with hatchets raised i dance. Of whooping cannibal cling the pot wherein boil body—their dinner to come. a moment only, to my cre stared in horror. Then I h up my lower jaw, yanked my ing eyes back to their sockets swallowing hard, got out th pected "What a *lovely* surpr

Few situations, surely, are neatly calculated to throw one a tizzy than the surprise Pull in your head, turtle-sty you dare. But that way lies suicide. Tradition and the in able poet demand of the occ eyes "all radiant with glad prise."

Yet always the laughing contrive to choose that d moment when the victim's s are dragging on the ground hair is overdue at the hairdres her nail polish has begun to c and she is sporting a decrepit

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Nothing could be worse, you think? Oh, but you're wrong. There is a worser. It is to be tipped off in advance of the celebration. Then you can mend the holes in your stockings—and in your manners—against the deadline. But you cannot escape the obligation to meet the occasion with trills and gurgles of happy surprise. Unless you are an unsung Duse, this strains the histrionic powers and adds utter disillusion to boredom.

I've often wondered sourly for whose benefit the surprise party is given. Anyone who has been dragged into reluctant collaboration on one of these little horrors knows the glamorous hush-hush of preparation, the sadistic thrill, however disguised, which whispers to the conspirators "Oh boy, will this throw the old girl!" Who enjoys the surprise party, anyway—the surprisee or the surprisor? Most obviously, the latter, since the surprised one stands robbed of the joys of anticipation which double most pleasures.

Groping back in memory through the catacombs of my youth, I can recall that my feelings were not always thus. Children love to be surprised—and why not? The little dears aren't old enough to know better. Any break in the boredom of a child's routine is welcome, good or bad. "Please, Mommie, bring me a surprise!" begs the six-year-old as he wistfully waves his parent off into that exciting world at whose possibilities he can only guess.

Citizens old enough for Uncle Sam to take notice of them, however, have lived to discover, not always with pleasure, that the world is full of surprises. Some of them, too, considerably less innocent than that prize in the box of Cracker Jack. Give us this day our certainties, we learn to say. Let's have no mock surprises. Let's double our joys with a hopeful look forward, and let the bad surprises stay in the stratosphere as long as possible before bursting about our tender, unsuspecting ears.



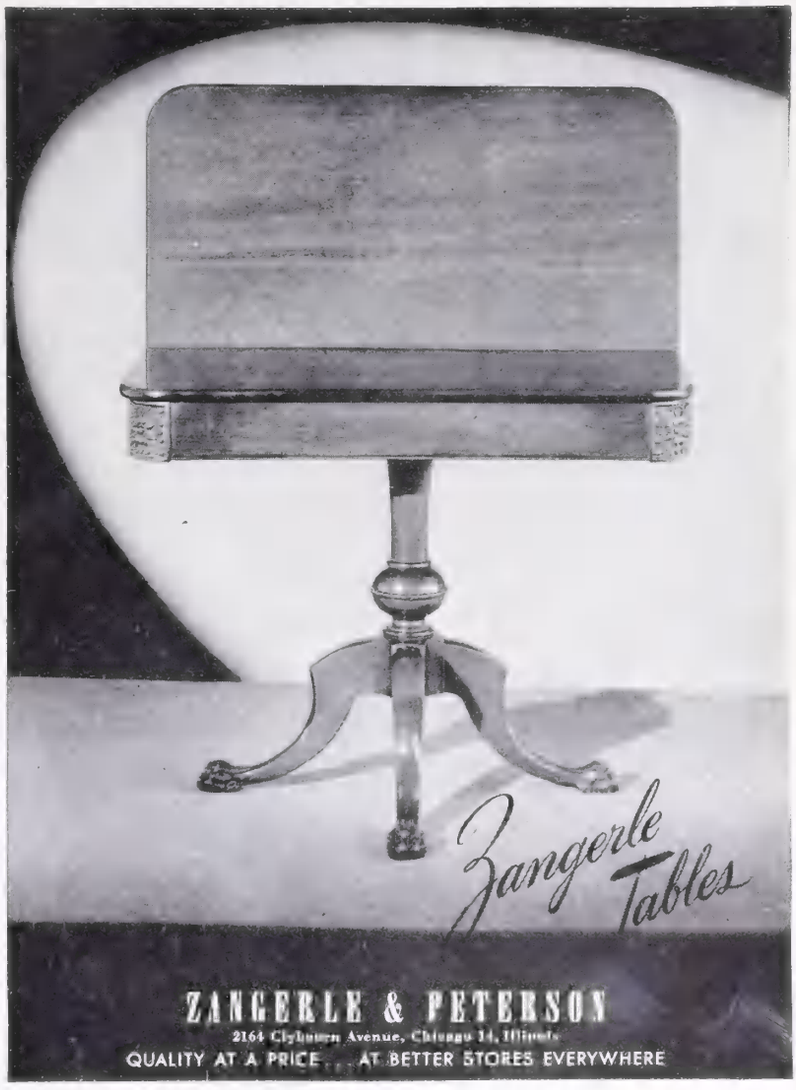


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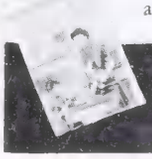
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A Cincinnati garden proves what plants can "take" wind, dust, and beating sun

A garden on a roof isn't an impossibility, but it should be designed by someone who knows plants and also something about construction.

In this Cincinnati garden of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Ratliff, overlooking the Ohio River, landscape architect Henry Fletcher Kenney laid good groundwork. The roof was built to slope slightly toward one corner, and drain pipes were installed to eliminate the danger of standing rain water.

Beds were edged with cinder blocks, slightly reinforced and finished on the outside with enough plaster to give them texture. They have good drainage and sufficient depth to allow root spread in the fertile soil that fills them.

The plants chosen for this difficult wind-swept spot were mostly broadleaf evergreens that flouri in the area. Experience has sho that these withstand smoke a wind better than most needle ev greens and deciduous plants.

Mr. Kenney has used *Euonym coloratus*, English ivy, and myr (*Vinca minor*) as ground covers beds that also contain sprin flowering bulbs. *Euonymus pate* Cornelian cherry (*Cornus ma* hornbeam, and regel privet are tall shrubs, with the yews—*Ta cuspidata* and *hicksi*, and standa *Euonymus radicans vegetus* as cents. Wisteria, too, has pro itself a rapid-growing and p sistent vine for this situation.

Together with annuals added seasonal color, this planting mak a well-balanced and handsome g den that survives both the su mer's heat and the wind that see



● The roof garden of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Ratliff has all the elements of a first-rate garden on the ground—a pool, beds of flowers, a comfortable terrace, and shaded walks. Trees, only, are absent



● Raised beds, outlined with cinder blocks plastered enough for texture, give deep soil pockets for shrubs like Japanese yew. The side of garden with river view is constantly swept by wind

low continuously from the just a few blocks away.
you are planting a roof garden me other difficult situation windy exposure or atmospher- t, here are a few more tough s that can "take it":
ubs: acanthopanax, devil's ng-stick (*Aralia spinosa*), rry, cotoneaster, flowering e, deutzia, elaeagnus, for- , hydrangea, privet, matri- vine (*Lycium halimifolium*), ark (*Physocarpus opulifoli- buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathar-* jetbead (*Rhodotypos kerrio-* species roses, and elder-

all trees: fringetree (*Chionan- virginica*), hawthorns, crab- s, golden-rain tree (*Koelreu- paniculata*), magnolias, pear, ese pagoda-tree (*Sophora japonica*), and tree lilac (*Syringa japonica*). Unusual but worth space in any garden—Russian olive, and tree spirea (*Sorbaria arborea*).

Vines: bower actinidia, five-leaf akebia, Boston ivy, Dutchman's pipe, trumpet creeper, bittersweet, sweet-autumn clematis, honeysuckles, fleece-vine (*Polygonum* species), and grapes.

Plants in a roof garden demand more attention than those grown in the ground. Beds dry out more quickly, so daily watering is an essential during dry spells. You will also want to syringe the foliage often to free it of dust and give additional atmospheric moisture in a situation that in midsummer compares to that of a desert. The restricted beds should be given some fresh soil each spring to encourage best growth.

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● Wisteria-covered lattice gives north corner of the garden privacy and some wind-protection. Beds of myrtle and bulbs are accented with standard euonymus. Henry Fletcher Kenney, designer

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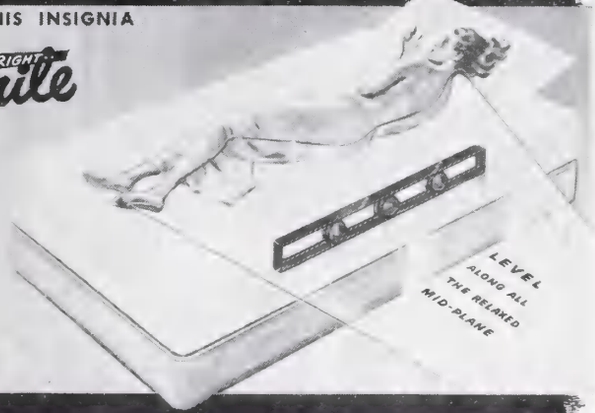
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● A folding kitchen desk is a compact and convenient contrivance requiring little space. The hand-painted motifs which frame this one would enhance many a kitchen wall

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How would you like to check grocers' bills, write that long-overdue letter, or just sit down and read near the stove, while the cake bakes? The ideal new kitchen often provides for some sort of desk space, but the clever arrangement illustrated above will probably remind you of an idle bit of wall in your own kitchen which can well be put to work.

Here, in the Beverly Hills home of Mr. and Mrs. George Sherman, decorator Dorothy Ames has turned a neat trick with a clever folding wall desk which is as decorative as it is useful. The hand-painted design above complements the plates and the mug-penholder in adding a bright, gay note.

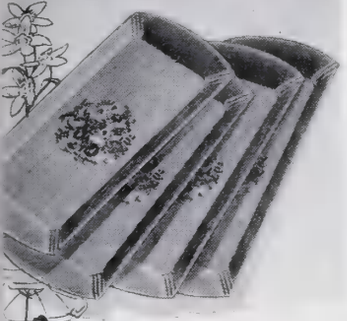
Since there is no space for a desk chair, one from the dinette is called into action while the desk is in use. When not in service, the chair is removed, the desk pul up, and the floor space it occu is back in circulation.

Placing the piece near a w tap (or does it run orange juic is an added inspiration which save more steps for the cook w she relaxes.

Only a few feet of unused are needed for all this comfort convenience, but if your kitc simply refuses to yield such a there may be other means achieving your desk. You mi for example, try to append a f ing flap to the side of your kitc table or cabinet—even if it bl a passage, it can be made to appear when it isn't needed.

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The world is full of all sorts of people, young and old, fair and dark, fat and thin, cheerful and morose, clever and stupid, kind and cruel, and he is a wise and lucky man who can pick and choose among so much good company. There is similar variety among wines, young and old, red and white, still and sparkling, common and well-bred—wines to suit every age, station, and occasion. The fact that there are types of wine beyond count is due to these three main causes:

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2. The nature of the soil and sub-soil of the many vineyards of the world varies. Also, in each individual vineyard climatic conditions change from year to year.

3. Variety is also caused by the different methods of vinification; that is, the way in which the grapes are pressed, their sweet juice allowed to ferment, and the new wine nursed, weaned, bottled and stored.

Among vines, the European parent stock, the *Vitis vinifera*, of which some 125 different species are grown in California vineyards, is responsible for all those wines, good, bad, and indifferent, which may be likened to Americans who, whether they are very good or no good at all, have descended from European stock. Wines made from the native American vine, the *Vitis labrusca*, may be better or worse than the others, but they are distinctly different. They are in a class by themselves—the native American class.

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Table Wines

The great majority of table wines are either red or white. The minority includes the pinks, grays, browns, tawnys and others. As a rule, the color of the grapes determines the color of the wine: Red wines are made from black grapes and white wines from white grapes. There is a red pigment in the skin of black grapes which colors the grape juice—and the wine made from it—when the skins are left in the fermenting vat. Some grapes have a deeper pigment than others, and the longer the skins are left in contact with the fermenting grape juice, the deeper the color of the wine will be. However, since most black grapes yield white juice despite their black skins, they can be used to produce a white wine, if all skins are carefully removed from the fermenting vat. Of course, no red wine can be made from white grapes. Rose or pink wine is made in a number of different ways: from grapes with a light red or pinkish skin; from black grapes the skins of which are not left in the fermenting vat for more than a short time; from red and white wines mixed together; or they are produced by dyeing white wine with a little—and quite harmless—cochineal.

Red Wines

There are many different types of red table wine, some of which are rather rough and austere; wholesome but, like so much else that is good for us, not really pleasant. They are the *vins ordinaires*, the common drink of the common people in all the wine-producing lands of the world, the kind of wine which occasionally finds its way, under fancy and attractive labels, to the lists of unscrupulous or ignorant wine dealers and restaurateurs.

At the other pole, are the great wines, a very small aristocracy produced exclusively from the grapes of a few vineyards. The soil from which they spring is invariably poor and differs greatly in regard to its geological formation. In such vineyards, the fickle climate does not allow for more than one really good vintage in e five years; two or three of the four are fair, and one, somet two, are worthless.

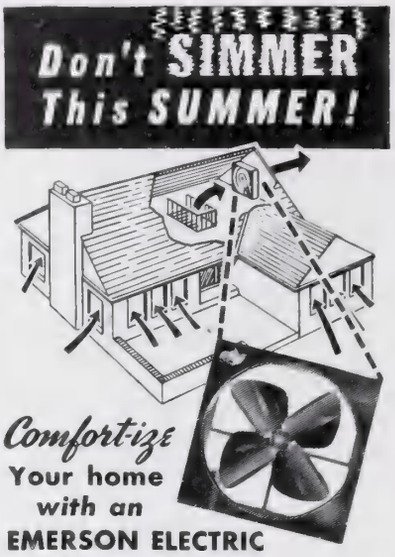
Between these aristocrats an masses of common wines there the "classes," the many wines ing from fair to fine in qua They are good wines, some of very good, and they hail from many vineyards of the world w the soil is fertile and the climat pendable. It may be said that are as many good wines as are good people (quite a few, ever the pessimists may say) that there are as few great w as there are great men.

IN THE case of red table w the standard of excellence fo natural beverage wines is se the great wines of Bordeaux Burgundy. The first are s what lighter, more gracious, feminine; the others more sertive, more muscular and ma line. Both are equally perfect, perfectly equal. Yet each h marked individuality, a person of its own. Each differs from others by the merest shade color, flavor, and bouquet slight, and yet as important variations in the coloring, tone, style of painting, music, and l ture. The names of these wines are known by cult people the world over, not m by the privileged few who the means and the opportu to enjoy them.

Most of the red table win California are sold under the n of Claret or Burgundy. The of them also bear the name of native vineyard, or of the vidual or firm responsible for existence, in addition to the of the grape from which they made and the date. Among vineyards which produce the table wines none enjoys, or serves, higher reputation Beaulieu and Inglenook, two joining Estates of Rutherfor the Napa Valley. Among the b known vintners justly famed the reliability of their table w Wente Brothers, Paul Ma Martini, and Beringer Bro are well to the fore. Two o best known brands are "Amb dor" and "Fountaingrove."

The best grapes grown fo making of red table wines o Claret type are the Cabernet, bera, and Barberone, and als Grignolino. The principal g for the making of the fuller of red table wine, those inte to approximate the style of F

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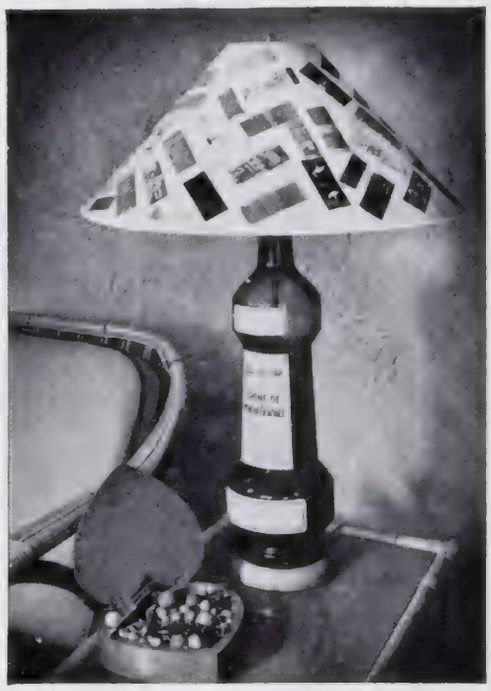


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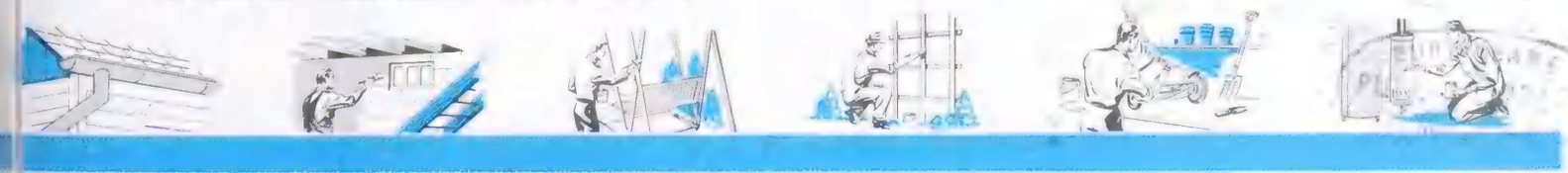
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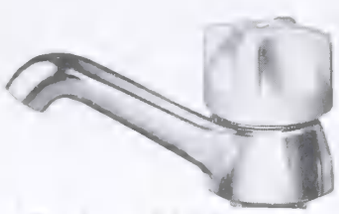


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A Flower Arranger's Calendar For MAY

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In the Garden

When cutting shrub branches rangements, study the shape shrub itself and prune it lly, as you would prune a rangement for balance, sym- and direction. Often one n, cut close to the ground, nprove the bush and at the ime yield ample material for rrangement.

experienced arranger will consider the future health auty of her garden. It is only vice who hacks and mutilates b or tree in her search for rth curves" for an arrange-

ays cut flowering branches the buds have fully opened. ill then have the pleasure ching them open indoors, our arrangement will last days, instead of giving you joyance of a shower of fallen the next morning.

Daffodils, arranged without f their characteristic foli- se half their charm. But old clump or two of the ner sort supply whatever is needed. Never take it our few bulbs of the choicer s, as the ripening foliage ntial for the well-being of b next year.

May is the time when the r recalls all the lovely blooming plants she in- to put in last fall. This solve to carry a few blank ards wherever you go, and your garden notes thereon. le them under "Fall Plant- t is a far more practical an using any number of lit-tle note books or the backs of old envelopes or scraps of paper.

4. The autumn crocus is nothing for the arranger to get excited about when it is in bloom in late August or early September. But those lush green leaves which it thrusts up exuberantly in May really have possibilities, both for garden effectiveness and for arrangements. Treat yourself to a few each year just to squander in this manner, a little recklessly.

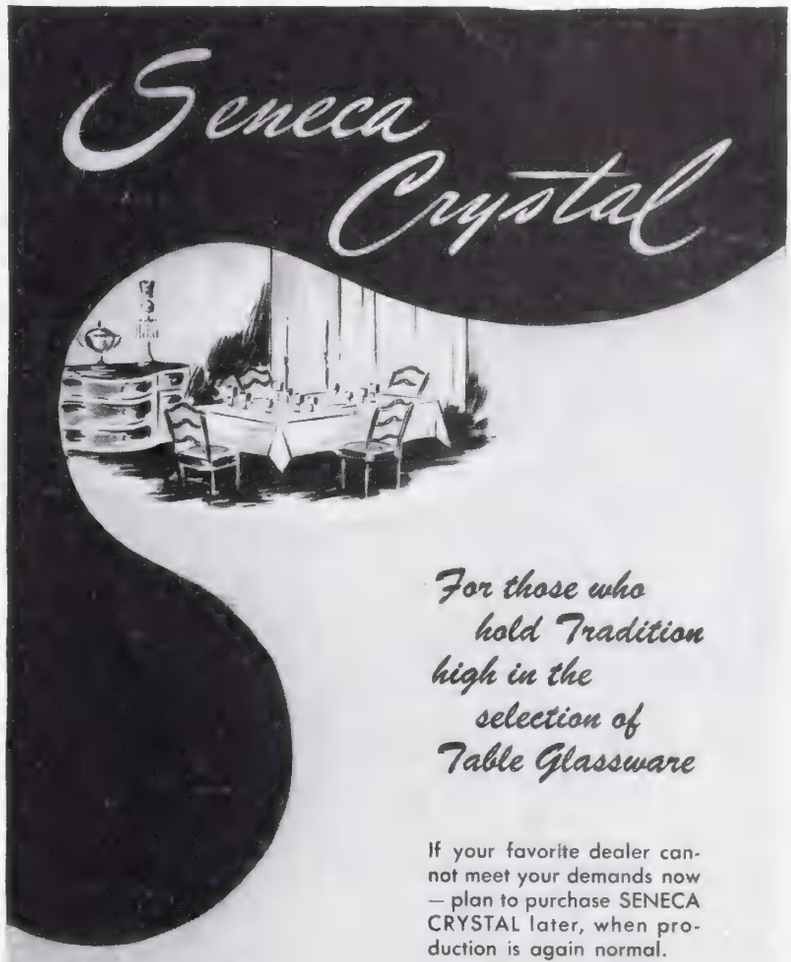
5. For subtlety and diversity in tulip arrangements make a note to plant Viridiflora, the green tulip, and Gemma, an exquisite white Parrot.

6. Make a pilgrimage to the nearest nursery where tulips are grown in variety, or get out last year's bulb catalog, and plan next fall's tulip order now, when you can see just what your garden lacks and where. With a piece of string or a "Twist-em," mark the tulips in your own garden that do not fit into your color scheme. When they have ripened a little, you can dig them up and put them into the cutting garden.

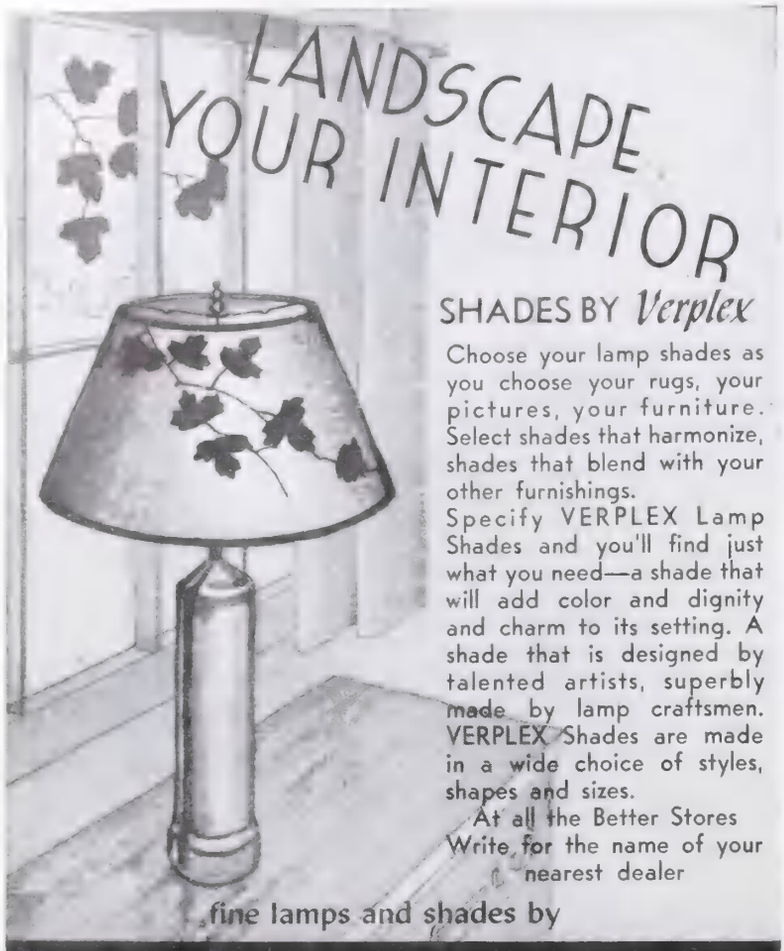
7. Do not forget to plant summer bulbs in the cutting garden. Not only gladiolus and dahlias, but montbretias, ismene lilies, summer hyacinths (*Hyacinthus candicans*) and tigridia, the Mexican shell lily, to satisfy an occasional need of drama.

8. Have you some new planting that will provide arrangement excitement in your May garden? Every arranger should have something like this to look forward to all winter. Mine this year is

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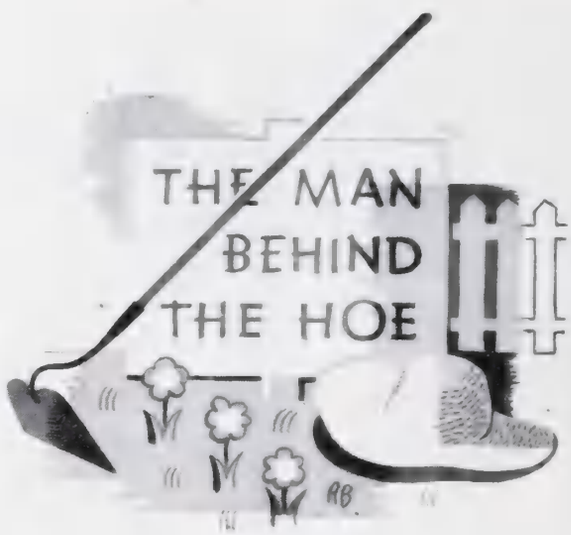
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In the Northwest and in many parts of the East coast, on the other hand, soils are often on the acid side and a generous liming is usually necessary every other year or so to get the best results with the majority of vegetables.

Shrubs such as lilacs and flowering quince, and most of the well-known herbaceous perennials—delphiniums, peonies, bearded iris, and the like—are also lime-loving and can be grown very happily on the fringes of the vegetable garden.

Some vegetables will benefit from salt in their diets. If foliage of your beets has purple spots or is dark red in color, try giving a combination side dressing of salt (at the rate of one pound per 90 square feet) and a commercial fertilizer high in nitrogen. This will counteract sodium and nitrogen deficiencies in your soil, according to vegetable specialists of the State Experiment Station, Geneva, New York.

It's surprising how quickly sprout at this time of year. I were up three days after pla in our garden in May.

A pole lima bean of the South, known as the Fl Speckled Butter, reportedly exceptionally well in the M West. If you object to the re brown speckles, pick the when they are young and the is not yet pronounced. Pl this month or next, the crop be gathered in July and Au vines will bear for a long tim

Another southern vegetable sweet potato, does very we northern gardens, and this i month to plant them. You secure cuttings from seed h or florists, or grow them you

Once planted, sweet pot are an easy crop. You hoe two or three times, until the cover the ground, thus solvin weed problem for the rest o season. As sweet potatoes usually free of pests, there further work to them until yo them in September or Octobe

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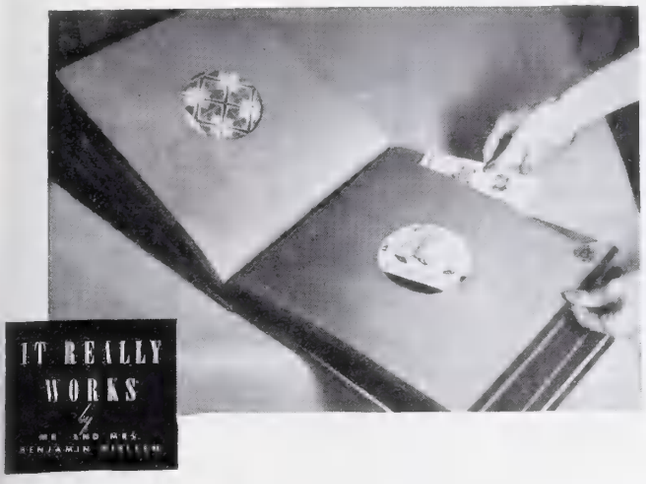
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red Burgundy, are the Pinot Noir, Gamay, Petite Syrah and Zinfandel.

White Wines

There are even more types of white wine than there are of red. Red wines are red, darker or lighter, but red. The so-called white wines are never white; they vary in color from pale straw or greeny gold to the darkest amber and even brown. Otherwise the division into three Estates—the masses, the classes and the aristocrats—is the same for both red and white table or beverage wines.

The best feature of the common white wines made in all parts of the world is that they are fit to drink, and are drunk, sooner than red wines in the same category—usually within the first twelve to fifteen months of their vintage, the date of their birth. This also applies to the fair, good and even fine white wines, the majority of which are at their best within five years of their vintage, some even sooner. Red wines of the same class would take twice as long to reach their peak. This shorter maturing period also applies, although not quite to the same extent, to the great white wines. Most of them have little to gain after ten years of aging, and it is only the wines of exceptionally fine vintage which will go on improving for twenty years or even longer.

White table wines are generally classed as dry or sweet, the latter being, of course, naturally sweet wines and not those which are artificially sweetened. In California, dry whites conform more or less to the style of such European wines as those of the Rhine, Alsace, Moselle, and Chablis, and they are made, partly even if not wholly, from such grapes as the Pinot Blanc, Pinot Chardonnay, Riesling, Folle Blanche, or Sylvaner. For the most part, the sweet white wines of California are those which are made to approximate as best they can the wines of Sauternes, and, to a more limited extent, the Muscat wines of Italy. They are made from Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc, Malvasia Bianca, and other white European grapes.

White wines made from Catawba, Delaware, Elvira, Scuppernong, and other native Eastern American grapes are entirely different. They possess a forceful personality and fragrance of their own, difficult for anybody brought up in the tion of the classical Eur wines to appreciate.

Fortified Wines

All the best fortified wines from sunny climes where the in the words of a Portuguese "drink the sun and eat the st This is true of Portugal and Southern California, the Cap insula and South Australia deira and many of the other vineyards.

In the making of fortified the species of the vine, the of the soil of the vineyard climatic conditions from ye year are important factor though not of quite so import in the case of table wines. other hand, the time factor preciably more important. T due to the quality and quant the brandy used for fortify well as to the time and man adding the brandy. It is al vious that any wine, whether or partly fermented, to brandy is added, must be time. The two partners mu together, grow together and so much alike that we cann one from the other. Many s light, inexpensive table win fit to drink when but a year old, but fortified wines mu matured much longer, a fact is bound to react upon their

THERE are many different of fortified wine, all of them ever, belonging to one or the of two main categories: which have been fortified by added to unfermented or fermented grape juice, and fortified by brandy added to fermented wine. These two divisions may also be calle Port and Sherry classes—th fortified wines which are no the more universally famou also capable of attaining peaks of excellence than any fortified wine. Madeira exc

Many different fortified are made from California and fortified with California dies. The majority of them ar under the names of their Eur prototypes, such as Port, always means Red Port, whe otherwise qualified White Malaga, Frontignan, Sherry, Muscatel, and so on. There California fortified or d wine, however, which has ac a considerable measure of larity under the name of An a name unknown in Europe e ing in relation to a plant a sweet liqueur which it flavor



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Sparkling Wines

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The kinds of wine may differ, but there is only one sort of carbonic acid gas. Almost every natural wine can be made sparkling either by its own self-generated carbonic acid gas or by pumping the desired amount of commercially acquired carbonic acid gas into the wine, as is done for fizzy lemonade. The making of sparkling wine is more troublesome and more costly than the making of still wines. To make matters worse, legislators in practically every country in the world clamp much higher import duties on sparkling wines, wholly disregarding the fact that they have digestive and tonic properties which no other wines possess in so acceptable a form.

Sparkling wines are not the product of a few localities, but are made in every part of the world where grapes are grown for wine making, and all aim at coming as near as possible to the standard of the sparkling wines that come from Champagne.

IN THE United States, the majority of sparkling wines are marketed under the name of Champagne and are white wines, pale gold in color, the right "Champagne" color. There are also some which are pink and others which are dark red and are sold under the name of Sparkling Burgundy. Still others are labeled Sparkling Moselle, Sparkling Muscat or Moscato, and one may even come across Sparkling Sauternes. The best of the California sparkling wines are those sold under the name of Korbel, and the most popular of the New York State sparkling wines are those from the Finger Lakes District.

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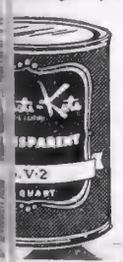
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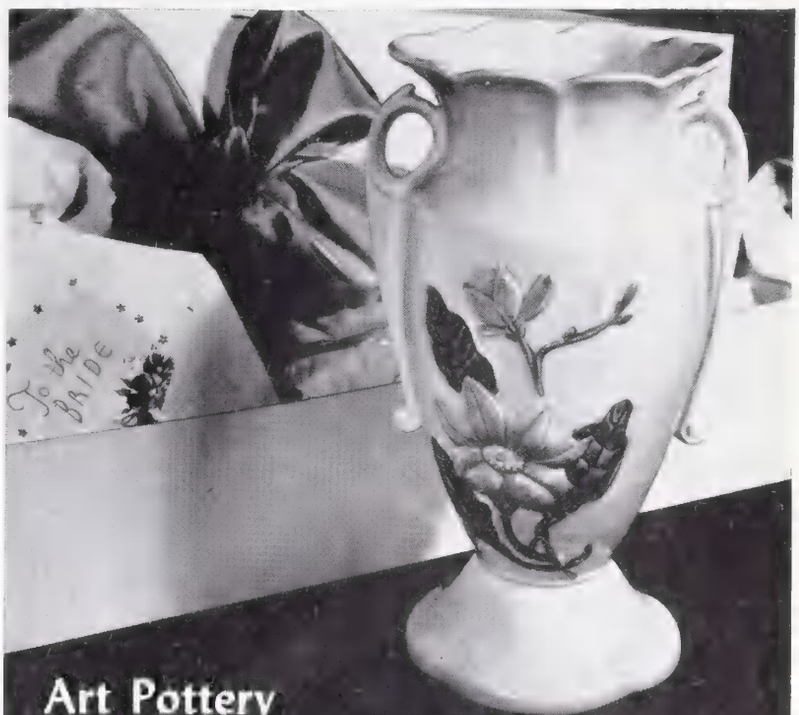
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A Pox On Male Cooks

BY HELEN W. AVES

They say men are better cooks than women. They say it's the artist in the male that inspires him to super-production on the kitchen range. They say his cooking is so simply perfectly wonderful because his motivation comes direct from his pink little soul.

Pooh! *I* say the gentleman is over-rated. Maybe he *is* famous for his charcoal broils, his heaven-blessed stews, his crêpes Suzette, cheese rabbits or shrimp wiggles; but the same male, faced with the job of whipping up a good family dinner, under the same handicaps the average housewife and mother has to hurdle daily, would have leaping dithers before he ever got his creations to the table.

Show me the male, for instance, who will hold the fort at our house today, and prepare an appetizing dinner for our family of six, plus those two clients Pop has been wanting to bring out for a home-cooked meal. Show him to me; *that's* the gent I'll pin the orchid on!

You say you're game, Mister? Happy day! First, scurry down to market and find out what they've got before you decide what you'll get. And on the way home remember to cash a check at the bank, pick up the cleaning that didn't come back yesterday, and look in at that butcher's on the edge of town where it's rumored they have bacon.

So you're back at the old stand now, and let's say your menu for tonight will be clear mushroom soup; the leg of lamb you ordered over the phone yesterday; green beans; browned potatoes; whole carrots, glazed so the children won't bellow "*Kerrits* again?"; a tossed salad; and that excellent meringue pie. (Not a romantic continental menu, to be sure, it's nourishing.)

But before you go further, y have to check with the clea woman, show her where she d mop under the bedroom chests time, instruct her how to get the spot left by the pot of spilled on the nursery rug, and place where Pop's cigarette a small bonfire on the grand p last night.

And oh, yes! Pop's going h ing tomorrow (last time all bagged was a rabbit he acci ally stepped on, and a pheasan ran over on the drive home, don't quibble), and he'll want long wool underwear and s aired of moth crystals, so get t onto the line—that is, soon as let down the hem in Suzy's flannel skirt she wants to wea the school play tomorrow. while you're about it, better c that white ruffled blouse of P She's down to her last one and wash-lady doesn't come this w her mother's down with sci again.

But before you attack these p lems, you've gotta' write a not the laundry telling them for P sake quit starching Pop's s like a board—he has a short n And while you think of it, pl Addlebump's and give them know-what about that new dollar postwar sweeper that s out dirt. And the belt on the uum cleaner's getting as loos bad jello, so you'd better pl around and try to locate a one. They're scarce these days.

JEEPERS, Mister! Those pl in the living room are dyin thirst. Hurry them into a sin of water, but first file away load of phonograph records o cleaning woman *will*, and you'll *Murder on Third Avenue* tu in with a requiem mass. Brother, isn't that canary cage ting awfully gamey? Better c it while the plants soak, and if flighty female gets out while y at work in her quarters, calm, she'll perch on the dra pole until you get the hook-ladder deal rigged up with a c a stool, and the goldfish net.

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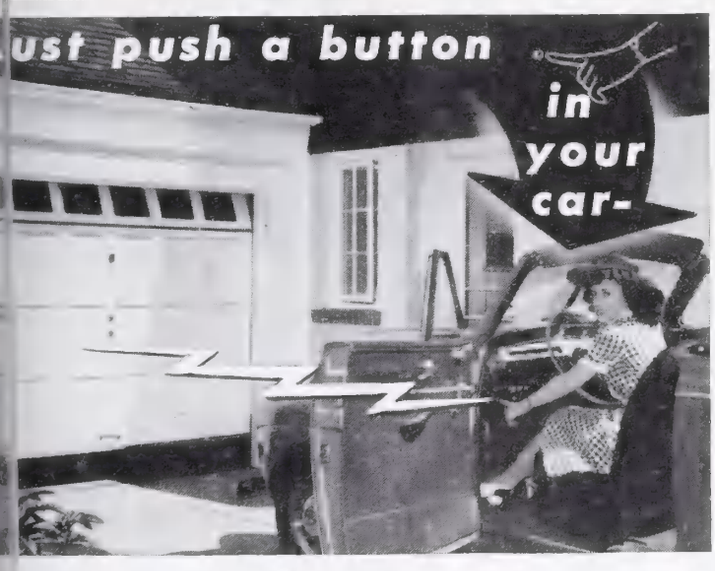
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Well, that's all under control, but don't sit down, it's time for Joe's bath and nap. Oh, oh! There's the laundryman, and right at his heels the trash man who'll take the Salvation Army box, too, if you don't trail him to the cellar. And there goes the front doorbell, and who should it be but a honey-voiced lady who says she knows you're interested in building character in your children. Mrs. Thompson next door said you were. And before you can say, "Shoo!" she's in the living room explaining how for ten dollars down you can buy ten feet of Bookie Nook and your Lamb's Lettuces will grow up to be Forces for Good.

YOU finally get her out, and it's now two o'clock and you're ready to think about that company dinner. You unwrap the leg of lamb and find it's the leg of a lamb's grandmother, so you go to the nearest cook book to see what you do with mutton to make out like it's lamb, and it's one of those books in which the author asserts her personality, and she tells a little joke about how she once had a mutton leg . . . oh, to heck with it, where's the roasting pan and who rang that doorbell again?

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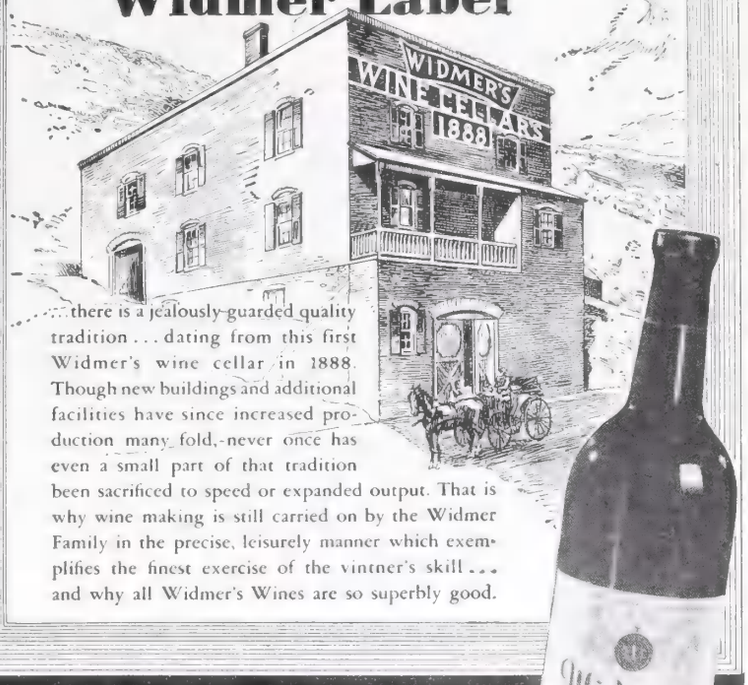
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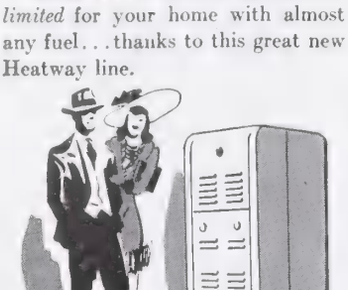


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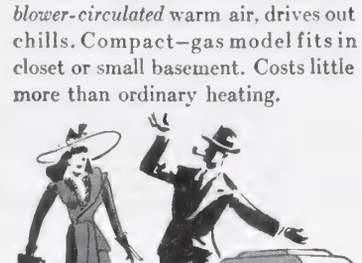
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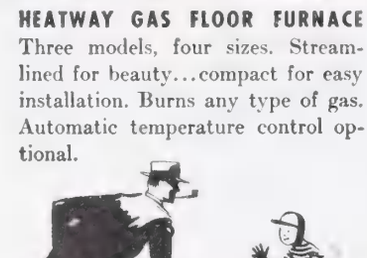
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Well, Mister, here we are back with the mutton leg and it's nearly three o'clock. Get it seasoned and into the oven quick; start the meringue for the pie; sauté the mushrooms for the soup, and if Little Joe wakens in the middle of it and the meringue falls and the butter gets black around the mushrooms, think nothing of it. Eggs, mushrooms and butter are cheap. (What am I saying? Must be this kitchen heat!)

So now you're ready to round up the carrots, beans and potatoes and the salad things, and right here the plumber you phoned six days ago arrives to unstop the downstairs bathroom drain. He spreads out his tools on the sink, hooks up his electric mole right under your feet and goes to work, and then he calls you in to see the objects he got out of the stopped-up drain, which objects are two scrap-metal hair curlers, a toy auto and a pair of red mittens. Then the postman rings to collect five cents due on an airmail letter, and the phone rings and it's the PTA wanting to know if you can bake four dozen cookies for the Mothers' Tea, and you say sure and hang up and the cleaner calls and wants to know what are those black splotches on the sofa slipcover, as though he couldn't recognize India ink.

Are you still with me, Mister? Because the girls have just arrived from school and Pat needs help with her piano practicing, and Suzy, boning over Current Events, wants to know who is chairman of the UN and darned if you can think. So you get out last Sunday's *Times* and then from the back yard you hear screams like from banshees and you lope out to find Horrible Harvey beating up Li You hope Horrible Harvey' isn't looking because what to him as you escort him the yard shouldn't happen little boy's ear, and you co into the house to find Su posing a poem, and what with quicker and all you c of is likker, and then Li wants to know two good why he can't have a c marshmallow cup cake. Th ing woman wants to kno can be paid now—she's And then you hurry out t table in the best HOUSE BE manner.

How you doing, Mister? ting on toward time for l his clients to arrive, and you to look glamorous. leap upstairs, come near t ing to death under a quick dive into that Clare Pott ber, and wonder if the glazing under the broil met up with hell's fire and tion—there's certainly smok ing from somewhere—a plunge down the steps jus car chugs into the drivew you whip on some extra and that "I-haven't-done-a-t day-but-get-a-little-dinner" and shout to Joe in a hoar per to get those muddy o off the wing chair, and h his guests breeze in, and impressed!

So Pop makes Martin asking you to come sh where everything is from th to olives, and pretty soon move out from the living the charmingly candle-lit table, and you feel comi you the greatest exhaustio the Naming of the Anim you say brightly, "Isn't th I *love* company for dinne Pop says, "Don't I have a ful little partner here, fe and Charlie says, "Oh, bo Murphy says, "Oh boy!"

Hey, Mister! Come bac . . . What's that? You s hollered "Uncle!" back ther the plumber pulled out t tens? Shame on you! Go to your bachelor apartm your shrimp wiggles. Ar time anybody tells *me* what derful cook you are. . . .





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A Husband Is Seldom A Mouse

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By LOUISE MILBURN SIMPSON

One Websterian definition of "husband" is "a manager of affairs in general" and darned if he isn't—despite current propaganda to the contrary. He has more hide-bound prejudices about décor, for instance, than even a dyed-in-the-wool New Englander has a right to. And not only does he voice his opinions, but by a mid-Victorian control over major expenditures, he sees to it that his house conforms to the fine old tradition of threadbare orientals and serviceable unlovelies. It would serve him right if you broke out with a good case of neurosis and left him to rear the five assorted offspring alone.

Poor frustrated little wren, with the soul of a peacock and a yen for Dali, bunking in a pineapple four poster while your heart aches for a siren's couch of coral satin against a surrealist backdrop!

Husbands have a penchant for getting "set" in their ways. By and large, they belong to the "what was good enough for father" school, and expect their wives, reared to believe in the emancipation of women, to accept their way of life along with Grandmother's bed.

Like as not, your husband is a star boarder in a house kept running by you, who probably have been chief cook and bottle washer these several years. It is you who see the house by the sun of noonday and you who must entertain the more critical half of your mutual friends by the revealing light of day.

The man of the house sees it by lamplight, or probably never really *sees* it at all. It's home to him. His heart is there. What's in it suits him fine. That disreputable old chair, which is slowly but surely driving you mad, has grown to fit him. Have it renovated? Good Lord! It would be years before it sagged again in the right places. He points out that, by your own admission, it would stick out like a sore thumb in the room if it were covered in "something ga One change, he says, leads to other (that's something to keep mind). A mirrored wall! Who hell, he'd like to know, wants to around bumping into himse Roses on the bedroom ceilin Danged if it wouldn't keep a fell awake nights!

He raised enough cane to st the sugar shortage about Dutch Provincial decals in kitchen, but several times late softening his original growl to good natured grumbling, he's tak some of the "boys" out to see y handiwork.

Grasp the straw, lady! You made a beginning! Time to pa the bathroom walls daffodil yell —and do throw in a wallpa panel of red dragons for go measure. Next, set fire to the bro draperies in the living room, a for Christmas buy him an en mous round coffee table plus crystal ash tray as big and co modious as a brass spittoon, an oversize table lamp, modern tomorrow—and brighter.

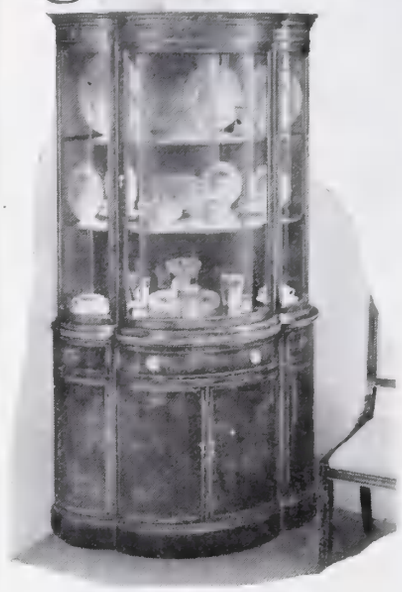
Dicker with a good rug m about the floor coverings ov which the new haul will appe Countless ancestors have trod th orientals, and if you find they' worth a number of yards of hon colored broadloom, start rema ing periodically that the old ru must have been lovely a hundr years ago.

Nail legs on a board as long your double bedroom window wide, and drape it with that chin which turned your blood to wi when you saw it. Spill enough i blue paint on the mustard h paper to necessitate husband's fi ishing the job himself or hiring done. There are ways, dear lady there are ways.

The initial plunge is the harde A rolling stone may not gath moss, but it does gain momentu Keep popping little surprises. So he'll be disappointed if there's n some innovation to yell about. Su ficient homemade turmoil may ev lead to his calling in profession help just to get things over a done with. Of course, he may si ply walk out leaving you to dro your sorrows in vermilion pain But the chances are he'll stic After all, he did stand by durin 45 months of temperamental pre nancy. He was allergic to alter tions then, too, but proud as punc when he'd got used to each ne addition. Courage is the thing Courage and a firm belief th there's a bit of lamb in every bea however cantankerous he may l about his den.

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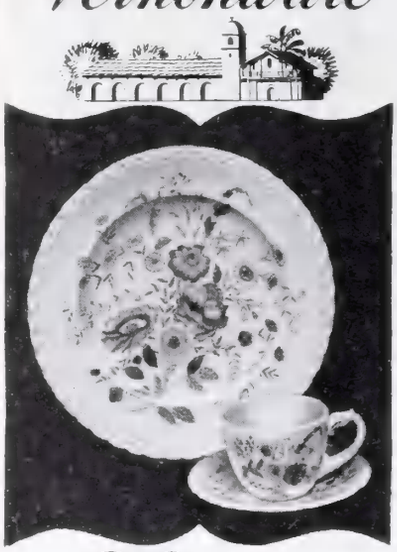
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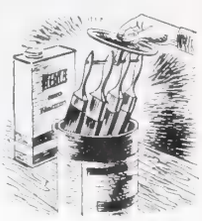
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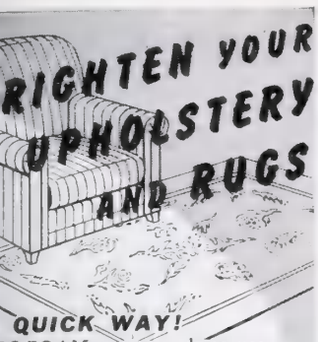


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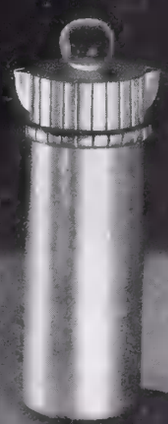
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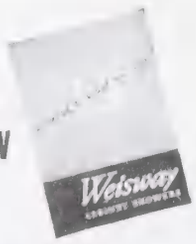


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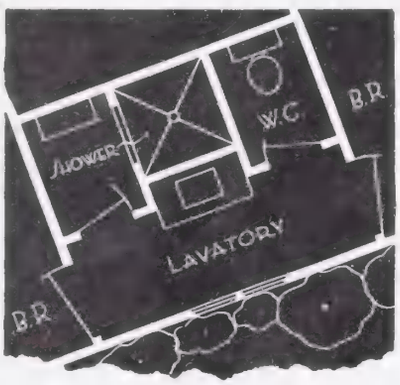
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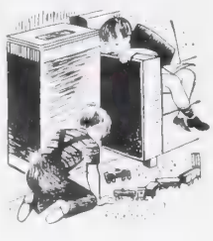
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OLD GARDENS AND NEW

By Agnes Rothery

Youthfulness is the fetish, standard, and the norm of t Women of all ages are piti exhorted to keep or acqui youthful skin, a youthful nec a youthful hair-do, and a like a girl's. Clothes are so the skillful projection of J Miss models. Contemporary ture, suitable for newlywe forced upon stodgy couples are comfortably settled in the armchairs and unfashionable Automobiles embody new line novel materials.

Probably no woman, no m how resentful she may be a continual spurring to ma what is, in very essence, un tainable, no matter how fat she may be in either endeav to follow or to combat the c cry to juvenility, will object new refrigerator or the latest in an electric range. In the of today and tomorrow, mul nous things which are va provements over the old will no lack of purchasers. Only of cash will prevent most from grabbing them and rev in them.

BUT in this surge toward r tion and rejuvenation it consolation to possess one whose desirability is enhanc age—an old flower garden.

The fifteenth-century theol discussion of whether God make an old man in a minu never solved. But certain it mere man cannot create a garden in a minute.

Not even under expensiv fessional supervision, aide powerful machinery which full-grown trees and replace without a scar, can a raw scape instantly become a mellowed one. True, aged can be accomplished in far time than was once believed ble, and Burnham Wood can to Dunsinane, if not in a few certainly in less than a ma centuries.

An expert gardener can a perennial border in a seas we are no longer buffaloed English dictum that it takes dred years to make a lawn.

But after all this has granted, there is a peculi

ealing quality to a garden se borders have been trimmed. se paths have been trod, and se soil worked over the years. t is hard to define this quality. h a garden may have its share evanescent annuals. It may have ny flowers or very few. The argement of the beds may have n changed this spring. But ertheless it is not a new garden. sibly it owes something to the dows that sift the sunlight ss it in immemorial pattern. sibly starlight and moonlight touched by added enchantment n they shine through branches ch have spread out their proion through many storms, and ugh the vicissitudes and beneions of many years.

he permanence of what is ed transient is one of the mirs of the old garden, and John e, the obscure peasant farmer died nearly 200 years ago, has ht this miracle in one of the liest verses in English poetry. aking of the shepherd lad d, the verse goes on:

re moss did into cushions spring,
rming a seat of velvet hue,
nall unnoticed trifling thing all but heaven's daily dew.
And David's crown has passed away
Yet poesy breathes his shepherd-skill,
His palace lost, and to this day,
The little moss is blooming still.

Perhaps it is not so much this tangible survival of some growing thing as it is the intangible vibrations which make an old garden delicious. Perhaps it is because this fleck on earth's surface has been loved and labored over so long that love and labor have become an indestructible part of it.

ONE of the many blessings reserved for whoever has been possessed of the same garden for a long time is that every year it becomes dearer and more deeply perfumed with memories. And one of the most gracious generosities of an old garden is that when it passes into new ownership it will, if fondly tended and studied, yield the secrets of its past. You will not divine all these secrets at once. You will keep on discovering them with every shift of season and through the passage of time. But they are there, and they will give themselves to you, and after you have gone, if the garden remains, it will give them to its next owner.



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"I DOUBT IT"

By ALBERT A. OSTROW

If yours is the average household, there is at least one deck of cards for whiling away spare moments. But perhaps you haven't put them to use lately because the standard games have gone stale.

In that case a session of "I Doubt It" is indicated. Here's a game which calls for none of the dead earnestness and technical skill of bridge, and requires no stakes without which poker, for example, is no fun. Furthermore, it may be played by as many as eight players, can be very easily learned, and is good for at least a laugh a minute.

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Any one may start dealing, distributing the cards around the table until the full pack has been dealt equally. Remaining cards are put face down in the center of the table for a "rubbish heap."

The game begins with the player at the dealer's left taking three cards from his hand and placing them in front of him, face down. He announces that they are all of some particular denomination, say —three queens.

But he need not necessarily be telling the truth. He may have put down two tens and a five.

Now, starting with the next player to his left everyone in turn may accept the statement or doubt it. If no one challenges and all pass, the three cards are pushed, still face down, into the "rubbish heap" without the player announcing what they actually were.

But if any player says, "I doubt it," the three cards must be t up for verification. If they a represented, then the challe player is penalized by being f to take them into his hand with *all* cards in the "ru heap." However, should they out to be not as represented, the player who lied must take back into his own hand and up *all* cards in the "heap."

Each player in turn gets t down three cards and run gauntlet. The purpose of the being to get rid of all cards i hand, three at a time. The one succeeds in doing so first wi

Rules are few. Only three must be placed down by player in turn, no more an less. They must be announce three of a kind and in no combination. If any player ha one or two cards remaining i hand when his turn comes, he draw from the "rubbish h until he has three. If there enough cards in the "rubbish h for him to draw, he passes his

An even more hectic version two packs which are shuffle gether and dealt out aroun table, with left-over cards for a "rubbish heap." But inste putting down only three car his turn each player may put any number up to eight. A though, he must declare the of one denomination.

Woe to the intrepid one puts down seven cards, fo stance, calling them kings somebody else at the table sits two kings in his own hand. two packs of cards can't co more than eight kings altoge the perpetrator of the whopp going to hear a very loud confident, "I doubt it."



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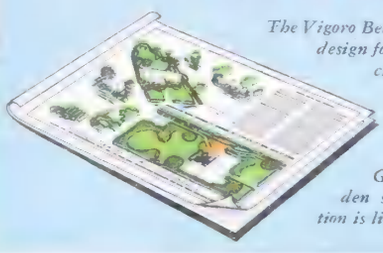


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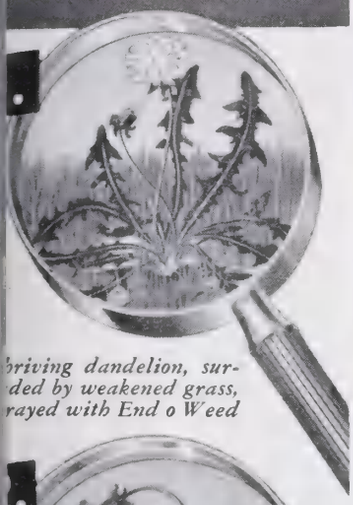
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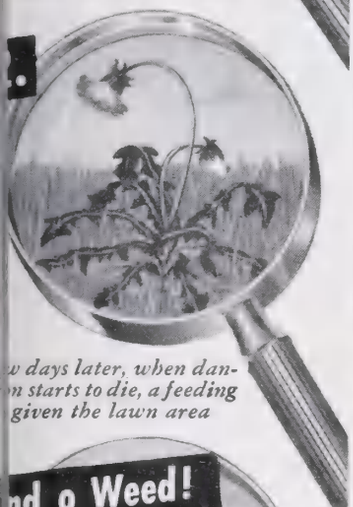
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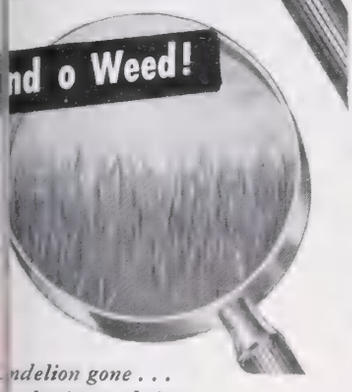
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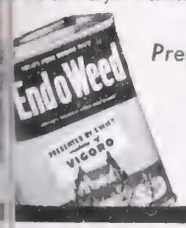


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What Research Men Say

Spray drift of 2,4-D from pressure apparatus may harm nearby flowers and vegetables. Use instead a low pressure pump, such as a bucket pump. Watering cans are satisfactory if you increase the volume of water for each 100 square feet of lawn surface from one-half gallon to as much as two gallons, but without increasing the amount of 2,4-D used.—*A. M. S. Pridham, New York*

Blanket sprayings are the most economical of time, especially on small lawns. Weed seeds and seedlings too small to be noticed by the spot sprayer are all taken at once, and further spraying may be unnecessary except for chickweed. —*Francis C. Wilson, Canada*

The "eyedropper" and "jar" methods of applying 2,4-D are useful for scattered weeds in gardens or lawns. You can soak the tips of trailing weeds in open jars of the solution, or you can apply the solution to individual weeds by means of an eyedropper or oil can. —*A. S. Crafts, California*

Six hours is sufficient for the absorption of enough 2,4-D to cause the death of susceptible plants. When rain occurs within two or three hours after spraying with 2,4-D, a repeat application is advisable.—*B. H. Grigsby, Michigan*

Bent is about the only northern grass harmed by 2,4-D. Fifty to 60 per cent of the bent varieties are likely to be slowed up or killed, depending on the dosage of the spray. So be sure not to overdose bent lawns with 2,4-D. Don't worry about lawns of mixed grasses, however, because the amount of bent grass is probably negligible.—*Franklin D. Jones, Pennsylvania*

Carpet grass, one of the major lawn grasses of the Deep South, is easily killed with 2,4-D. This fact automatically limits its use for weeding lawns here. However, if you want to kill carpet grass in a Bermuda grass lawn, that is another story, since Bermuda grass is insensitive to 2,4-D.—*Clair A. Brown, Louisiana*

Poison ivy in shade is almost im-

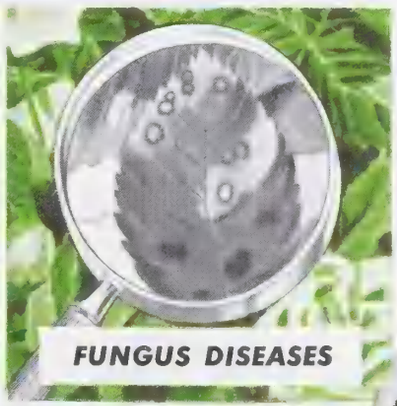
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mune to one application of 2,4-D. Try doubling the strength and giving two or three applications. Better yet, try one of the 2,4-D esters; they are more effective on difficult-to-kill plants in difficult places.—*George S. Avery, Jr., New York*

Strawberry beds can be "weeded" with 2,4-D because these plants show no ill effects from the hormone. You can spray a new bed as soon as weeds appear. However, a bearing bed should be sprayed after the crop is picked because, if the plants are sprayed when in bloom, fruits are apt to be misshapen and smaller.—*R. F. Carlson, Michigan*

Needle-type evergreens—except for tender, new growth—appear to be unaffected by 2,4-D. But if you want to kill Japanese honeysuckle that is strangling your hemlocks, test 2,4-D on a small area first.—*Franklin D. Jones, Pennsylvania*

The soil does not appear to be permanently affected by standard applications of 2,4-D. The material usually decomposes or washes out in four to eight weeks in moist soil, or in about a year's time in dry soil. Delay seeding of sprayed areas for a period of four to six weeks.—*B. H. Grigsby, Michigan*

The cultivating of 2,4-D into the soil to destroy weeds is under experiment in several parts of the country. It destroys seeds of most weeds, but let researchers iron out the kinks before trying this in your own garden.—*George S. Avery, Jr., New York*

The dilution of 2,4-D spray is important. My experiments have shown that one part 2,4-D to 1,000 parts water (applied to the lawn at the rate of five gallons per 1,000 square feet) killed white clover, while a one to 2,000 dilution did not kill the clover, but prevented it from seeding. The higher concentration produced a slight temporary discoloration in bluegrass, while the weaker one gave no appreciable discoloration. Both concentrations killed practically all the dandelions and plantains.—*Walter S. Lapp, Pennsylvania*

2,4-D is harmless to man and beast at the concentrations recommended for use.—*George S. Avery, Jr., New York*

More than 300 species of plants have been reported killed with 2,4-D compounds, and many more are injured. Among the susceptible plants are cocklebur, coco-gra pigweeds, rose and blackbe briars, dodder, and water hyacir also sensitive crop plants such tomatoes, peas, beans, sweet p to, okra, plus many ornamentals *Clair A. Brown and T. C. Ry Louisiana*

Spray equipment, after use w 2,4-D, should be scrubbed th oughly and rinsed several ti with hot water, if it is used for secticides and fungicides. The b practice, though, is to have sepa equipment for the weed killer *Clair A. Brown and T. C. Ry Louisiana*

Follow directions carefully w you use a trade preparation c taining 2,4-D, because concen tions vary in these products.—*B. Grigsby, Michigan*

Trade names *of 2,4-D prod include Weedone, Weedicide, Pont 2,4-D, Knox-Out We Scotts 4-X, Karmex (in ta form), Esteron (an ester), W No-More (an ester), Weed 2-4 Dow Weed Killer, Endo W*

What Home Users Say

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Windy weather is a bad tim spray with 2,4-D, unless you toss some dust into the air, the direction of the wind drift, work on the leeward side of pl you do not want to harm. Also k the spray nozzle close to the foli of the weeds, and direct it a from the flowers.—*California*

Protect your flower and v table plants from 2,4-D spray by placing a screen of plywoo a wide board in front of them w spraying adjacent lawn.—*Ohi*

Uniform application of 2,4-D your lawn is important—bu takes some practice. I think easiest way to acquire this ski to practice on a stretch of marking it off in blocks of square feet. Five or ten min practice, using one-half a gallon water in this case) per square, teach you how to spray an evenly.—*New York*

Spot spraying is practical found, where large areas of are practically weed-free. I able to cover all the weedy s twice (and many weeds need a ond spraying, in my experience

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one-fifth the cost of blanket spraying the whole area.—*Canada*

Sufficient strength of 2,4-D will kill grass. I discovered this by accident. I could not say just what the killing concentration would be. Used according to direction, however, it is quite safe.—*Iowa*

Chickweed seems to need more than one spraying with 2,4-D. When you spray it during cool weather—when this weed grows best—the weather slows up the action of 2,4-D and you have to reapply. When you spray in warm weather, the plants are so husky that they require another dose.—*Missouri*

My centipede lawn, treated with a 2,4-D spray in late May, was badly burned in full sun, but scarcely harmed in the shade of shrubbery bays. However, the centipede grass came back and the weeds died.—*Florida*

Bindweed is not killed with one 2,4-D spraying, usually. Because of many deep roots, it revives and must be treated several times, and even the second year. A good to get rid of it in an annual bo I've discovered, is to dig up th in spring and remove all the weed roots you can find. leave the bed vacant until summer and spray 2,4-D on the shoots of bindweed that have vived. One spraying of 2,4-D ally completely kills the rema bindweed and has no effect o annuals, which can be safely pl the day after spraying.—*Mis*

Unwanted large vines in including poison ivy, should l lowed to leaf out and grow f weeks in spring before you att to destroy them. Then cut vin at the ground and let them for a month from the roots. foliage with 2,4-D and repeat i weeks if any green leaves r on the vine.—*North Carolina*

My corn patch, last seasor so full of mustard that you co see the corn. Within four da spraying with a 2,4-D prod nice stand of corn was visible within seven, the mustard-bindweed and Canada thistle-died. There was no sign of da to the corn at all.—*Pennsylva*

COLOR MEANS MORE IF IT HAS PATTER

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principles of arrangement and pattern can be used as a guide and the picture painted in the plants which thrive in your locality.

As an example, try an alternate scheme of annuals for the same garden. It can be used when tulip time is over. The annuals can be grown in flats or in the open ground and transplanted into the tulip beds for all-summer bloom. Look at the two plans on page 141 and see how the same design can be executed with different plants.

In the alternate plan of annuals, there is a yellow, orange, blue, and white scheme. The boldness of the tulips is carried on by the sturdy African marigolds; the mass planting of the yellow pansies by dwarf ageratum; and the border is etched in low alyssum and marigolds.

Perhaps, after the brilliance of the tulips, you would prefer a softer, more delicate scheme. Then carry out the tall masses in Blue Boy bachelor button and lacey Pink Queen cleome. Use mass plantings of white petunia Snow Storm Improved as the intermediate flower, and edgings of sweet alyssum, alyssum Violet Q and Giant White verbena. laca Jewel can fill the spa front of the junipers, and ve Giant White, the angles f by the edging plants.

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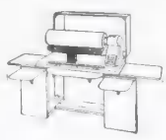
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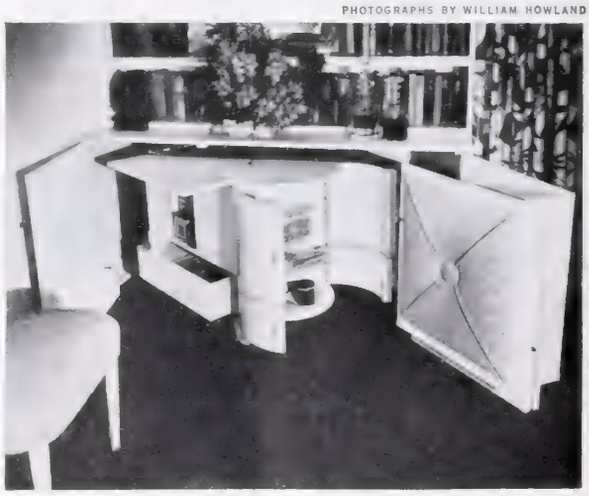
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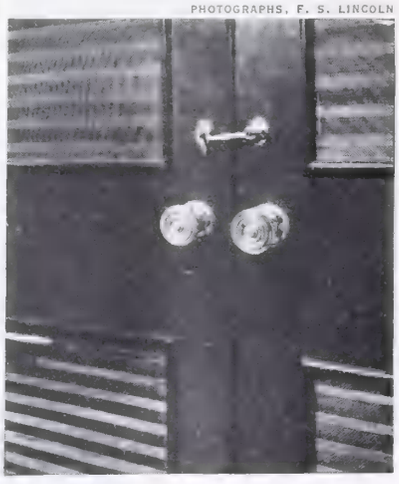


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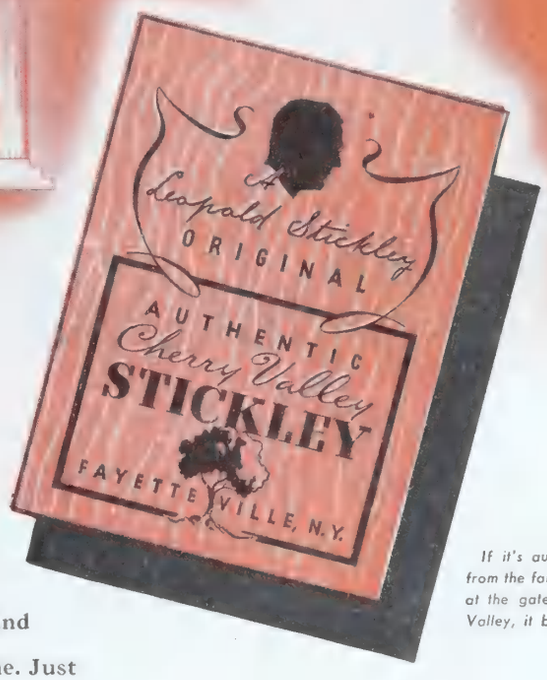
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HOW SAFE IS YOUR COMMUNITY

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	YES	NO
f) Arresting all those who exceed the speed limit by as much as 5 miles an hour?	☐	☐
g) Punishing traffic violators swiftly, so your town isn't becoming known as "a place where you can get away with murder"?	☐	☐
h) Making it impossible, or at least difficult, to have traffic tickets "fixed"?	☐	☐
i) Regularly inspecting all motor vehicles (autos, trucks, buses, etc.) for adequate brakes, lights, and other safety features such as windshield wipers and defrosters?	☐	☐
j) Requiring pedestrians to obey traffic signals under penalty of arrest?	☐	☐

3. Is your traffic court functioning properly by

a) being a separate court that segregates traffic cases from other offenses so they may be dealt with promptly?	☐	☐
b) keeping complete records of traffic tickets, arrests and convictions?	☐	☐
c) making these records available to the public so confirmed violators may be *known*?	☐	☐
d) having a school for traffic and pedestrian law violators, where they are taught the local regulations instead of just being fined?	☐	☐

4. Does good traffic engineering in your town eliminate as many hazards as possible? Judge by answers to the following questions:

a) Are standard traffic signs and signals well used in your town, so they are easily understood by everybody, including visitors from other cities and non-English speaking foreigners?	☐	☐
b) Are pavement markings, traffic lanes, crosswalks, etc. frequently repainted so they are distinct at all times?	☐	☐
c) Have your traffic lights red, green, and amber signs, allowing a little time between changes of traffic flow?	☐	☐
d) Are railroad grade crossings well marked—or better still, eliminated entirely by bridges or underpasses?	☐	☐
e) Have you sufficient modern street lights on all main streets to lessen chances of accidents after dark?	☐	☐
f) Are your roads in good repair?	☐	☐
g) Are "through" highways routed *around* the heavily traveled center of your city?	☐	☐
h) Have blind intersections been eliminated?	☐	☐
i) Is there adequate provision for clearing streets and sidewalks of snow and ice in winter?	☐	☐
j) Are cracked and sunken sidewalks and pavements promptly repaired by those who are responsible for them?	☐	☐
k) When street repairs are in progress, are there adequate warning signs to motorists and pedestrians to avoid these areas?	☐	☐

5. Is there adequate parking space in all parts of town, eliminating the practice of parking all day in streets which dangerously narrows the traffic lanes?

	☐	☐
a) Have you off-street parking lots or garages with reasonable fees in your downtown section?	☐	☐
b) Is "angle" parking forbidden in favor of less hazardous parallel curb parking?	☐	☐

6. Are requirements for automobile licenses in your state tough enough to eliminate irresponsible driving, i.e.:

a) Are there driving examinations, including road tests, for all new drivers?	☐	☐
b) Is there an eye test?	☐	☐
c) Is there an intelligence test?	☐	☐
d) Are young people forbidden to drive without licenses before they become of legal age?	☐	☐

s Your Public Transportation as Safe as it Can Be?

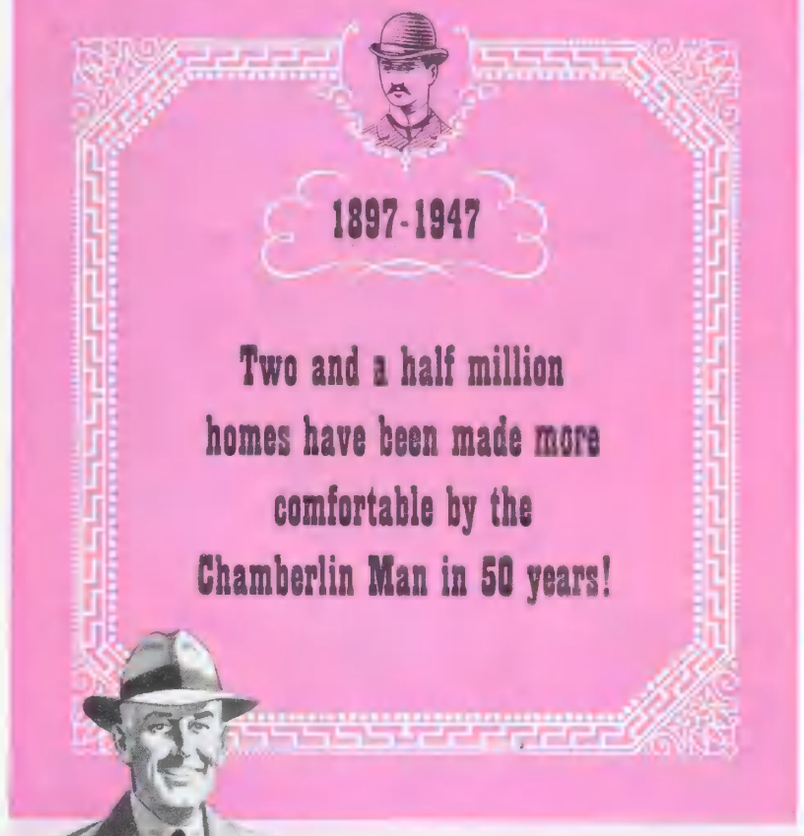
	YES	NO
Are the men who drive your busses, street cars, "L's" and other trains ell selected and thoroughly trained before they are put on a regular run?	☐	☐
Does the public transportation company in your town prohibit		
a) hanging on platforms?	☐	☐
b) riding between coupled cars?	☐	☐
c) obscuring the view of the driver by crowding?	☐	☐
Are doors of the vehicles never opened until they come to a full stop?	☐	☐
Is it impossible to get on and off a public vehicle dangerously in the iddle of a block when it is stopped by traffic?	☐	☐
Are your busses, street cars, etc. operated smoothly, seldom rough in arting and stopping?	☐	☐
Has your city outlawed the use of flammable wooden cars for public ansportation?	☐	☐
Are passengers adequately protected by safety zones or islands, when arding or getting off public vehicles?	☐	☐
Are signs well used to warn passengers of dangerous practices such as tempting to alight while vehicle is in motion?	☐	☐
Does your public transportation system have a good safety record?	☐	☐

k the company how many accidents there were in 1946, how many ople killed and injured out of the total number of passengers carried. ese are facts the public should *know*. And the accident cost also adds your taxes, if the company is municipally owned. ☐ ☐

Are You Protected Against Fire in Your Town?

Are nationally recommended requirements for fire exits, exit signs, exit hts complied with by		
a) theatres?	☐	☐
b) schools?	☐	☐
c) hospitals?	☐	☐
d) public institutions?	☐	☐
e) stores?	☐	☐
Have you a city ordinance against overcrowding and flammable deco- ions in restaurants and public meeting places?	☐	☐
Are your movie houses required to have fireproof booths for projectors?	☐	☐
Do zoning laws prohibit the building of hazardous industries in highly pulated areas or near public buildings?	☐	☐
Are owners of empty lots required to keep grass cut during summer nths, to avoid danger of spontaneous or juvenile-set fires?	☐	☐
Have you city ordinances governing storage of flammable fuels?	☐	☐
a) Are public fuel tanks well protected?	☐	☐
Are fireworks prohibited for use by private citizens?	☐	☐
Check if your fire department is up to scratch by asking:		
a) Is it made up of well-trained and well-equipped officials and men?	☐	☐
b) Has it grown proportionately with your city?	☐	☐
c) Does it make frequent inspections to enforce laws?	☐	☐
d) Does it provide fire alarm boxes at frequent intervals?	☐	☐
e) Has it an adequate city water supply at all times with which to work?	☐	☐
f) Does it supervise the burning of vacant areas in fall or early winter?	☐	☐
g) Does it supervise frequent fire drills by school children?	☐	☐
You can tell if your community is working to make everybody in it conscious, by these questions:		
a) Is National Fire Prevention Week observed each October?	☐	☐
b) Is the National Electrical Code, as drawn up by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, observed?	☐	☐

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	YES	NO
c) Has your city an annual spring clean-up campaign to eliminate fire hazards in homes and buildings? (Write the National Safety Council, 20 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago 6, Ill., for details)	☐	☐
d) Do the press and radio in your community frequently carry items on fire safety?	☐	☐

How Safe Are Your Schools?

1. Are school buildings		
a) of fireproofed construction?	☐	☐
b) equipped with emergency stairways and exits?	☐	☐
c) well-lighted in corridors, basement, lavatories?	☐	☐
d) inspected to check conformance with safety code?	☐	☐
2. Does your community furnish public schools with funds necessary for		
a) replacing unsafely constructed school buildings?	☐	☐
b) rebuilding or remodeling school buildings?	☐	☐
c) replacing worn equipment in shops, laboratories, gymnasiums, auditoriums and playgrounds?	☐	☐
d) providing safe school-bus transportation, including hiring of specially trained bus drivers?	☐	☐
3. Have your schools a full safety program, including:		
a) safety instruction on how to drive a car and how to swim?	☐	☐
b) traffic police or other traffic controls at school-street crossings?	☐	☐
c) signs to warn motorists of school zones?	☐	☐
d) school safety patrols to assist at school crossings in regulating student traffic on sidewalks, at intersections, in school busses?	☐	☐
e) parent-teacher groups with safety programs?	☐	☐
f) records of all types of accidents to children in the community, to guide the safety program?	☐	☐
4. Is there a school health program with		
a) school doctor and nurse to examine pupils?	☐	☐
b) instruction in oral hygiene, sight conservation, posture, nutrition?	☐	☐
c) consulting psychologist for problem students?	☐	☐
d) classes to acquaint students with facts about diseases and their prevention and treatment?	☐	☐
5. Are there sufficient and well-maintained playgrounds, judged by these standards:		
a) Do your children have some place to play besides the street?	☐	☐
b) Are there trained people stationed in playgrounds at all times?	☐	☐
c) Are there enough things to do in playgrounds?	☐	☐
d) Are children taught correct use of equipment?	☐	☐
e) Are children taught to swim?	☐	☐
f) Are they taught to safeguard younger children?	☐	☐
g) Are children prevented from playing in dangerous places?	☐	☐

How Effective is Safety Work in Your Town?

1. Have you a community Safety Council?	☐	☐
2. Is it complete with all the sub-divisions and standards recommended by the National Safety Council, to check on all kinds of safety, such as:		
a) A traffic division?	☐	☐
b) A child activities division, including school safety program?	☐	☐
c) A home safety division?	☐	☐
d) A commercial vehicle division?	☐	☐
e) An industry and commerce division?	☐	☐
f) A health and sanitation division?	☐	☐
g) A fire-prevention division?	☐	☐
h) A farm division?	☐	☐
i) A statistical division?	☐	☐
j) A public information division?	☐	☐
3. Are elevators in public buildings and commercial establishments inspected regularly by qualified city officials?	☐	☐
4. Do zoning laws protect children from commercial traffic?	☐	☐
5. Is the sale of firearms, explosives, other weapons, poisons, drugs and intoxicants strictly enforced?	☐	☐
6. Are minors excluded from night clubs and bars?	☐	☐
7. Are public water supplies completely fenced in?	☐	☐
8. Are high tension wires fenced in and/or well marked?	☐	☐

ARE YOU HIDING BEHIND A COUNTRY CLUB?

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x now! Isn't there a casse-
your life or a Hungarian goulash that Jim swears is better than the fanciest food at the Ritz?

"Now really," you say irritably. "Can't you just see me serving spaghetti and meatballs to the Bentleys in our dinette?"

Frankly, yes! If you can't, it simply proves that Jim has more imagination than you have. Entertaining at home is a true test of the imagination, and feeding guests at the Club is a patent admission that you have failed the test.

One time-tested dish that you do easily and with utter confidence can become a little triumph of a meal with the right accessories. Take that Hungarian goulash, for example. Add a bottle of red wine, a brace of candles in tin candlesticks, you in a peasant skirt and —for the purposes of the argument—that serape you never knew what to do with as a tablecloth. The correct accessories are as important (and as economical) to your dinner table as they are to your basic black dress. And that is what the people who take the Bentleys to the Club have never discovered.

It takes no talent at all to entertain with a corps of servants, breakfronts filled with old Spode, and a dining room the size of La Guardia Field. Or to have a membership at the Club, if I may say so.

The real hostess stands revealed by her ability to make spaghetti and a green salad at home twice as exciting as pheasant and wild rice in public.

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There are ways to keep up with the Bentleys other than serving a

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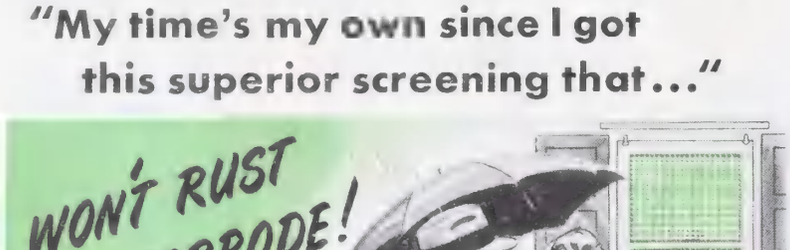
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many-course dinner on your grandmother's old Crown Derby. Just because everyone else serves a thousand courses is an excellent reason for not doing it. As final proof, I offer into the evidence Exhibit A, a supper one of our editors enjoyed in California when her knowing hosts didn't drag her off to the Club. It is an almost classic example of an effortless meal that has the knowing simplicity of a Hattie Carnegie label. It is the kind of menu that credits both you and your guests with innate sophistication, and what could be more mutually flattering?

Try it the next time you feel an impulse to say, "We'll eat at the Club," and see what happens. And I'd like to hear what the Bentleys have to say.

Here are the recipes for a two-course supper which anyone who really wanted to could manage.

Curried Shrimp

¼ cup butter or chicken fat
1 large onion, chopped
1 large apple, coarsely chopped
1 cup chopped celery
6 teaspoons curry powder
4 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 cup cream
½ teaspoon salt
Pepper
2 cups cooked shrimp
¼ cup seedless raisins
2 tablespoons chutney
2½ cups chicken stock

Melt butter in heavy iron skillet, add onion, apple, and celery (use outside stalks), and cook gently about five minutes. Don't allow heat to be high enough for onion to brown. Sprinkle curry and flour over the mixture gradually until all is blended. Remove skillet from heat and gradually add chicken stock and lemon juice. Then add cream and mix well. Return to fire and cook until thick. Add salt to taste. Add a dash of freshly ground black pepper. Add shrimps, raisins, and chutney. Cover and allow to simmer 15 or 20 minutes to permit flavors to blend. If you are not serving immediately thereafter, turn heat off and leave skillet covered. Don't overcook or the celery and apples will be mushy. Makes 4 portions. Arrange rice on platter in ring shape and put curry in center.

Rice

1½ cups white rice
1½ quarts boiling water
1 tablespoon salt

Wash rice thoroughly. Pour gradually into boiling salted water and cook about 20 minutes after it starts to boil again. To test doneness, press a kernel between fingers. It should be soft, but not mushy. Pour rice into colander and rinse with boiling water. To fluff: spread rice on shallow c sheets and dry out in slow (300° F.) about 15 minutes, ring now and then.

Accompany the curry dish generous bowls of chopped co bacon, ground peanuts, chu and hard-cooked chopped (Chop yolks and white sepa and arrange in a ring.)

Spring Greens Salad

1 bunch spring onions
1 bunch radishes
½ bunch wate
1 head Romai
Few sprigs parsley

Dressing

1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon sugar
2 tablespoons lemon
6 tablespoons salad

Put all in covered jar wi cut clove of garlic and shake

Slice onions and radishes break up watercress and Rom Toss with parsley in large w salad bowl. Add dressing and again. This may be more enough dressing, so don't ad at once.

Cheese Sticks

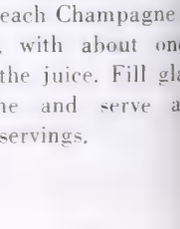
2 tablespoons butter
1 egg
2 cups grated American cheese
1 cup sift flour
¼ teaspoo baking po
½ teaspoo Cayenne Pepper

Cream butter. Add unbeaten and cream together. Then cheese and blend well. (Do pack cheese solid in cup.) 1 cup flour mixed with ba powder and salt, or enough flour to make dough of ro consistency. Mix together Then turn out dough on flo board. Roll out fairly thin long rectangle (about 7 b inches). With long knife (flo so that it will not stick to do cut strips about a half inch crosswise of rectangle and s kle with Cayenne pepper. Pu cooky sheet, dusted lightly flour. Bake about 12 minute 400° F. oven, or until go brown. Makes about 24 stick

Peaches in Champagne

1 box frozen peaches
Champagne

Defrost peaches, but don' low them to stand over long defrosted. Arrange two p halves in each Champagne or bet glass, with about one t spoon of the juice. Fill glass Champagne and serve at Makes 4 servings.



YOUR FIRST FREEZER

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fairly easy to remember what freezer holds. But when it is with a wide assortment of dif- nt kinds of foods, it's a differ- story. Just when you plan to peach shortcake and corn on ob at a special dinner, you're to find, after long and futile hing, that there isn't any more hat you're looking for.

e best way to know at all times foods are in the freezer, and many packages of each you have, is to keep a chart of its nts. Starting with a column at ft of such a chart, list all the you put into the freezer (or d to put in), grouping the according to such classifica- as roasts, steaks, poultry, fish, ables, fruits, etc. Alongside food listed, mark down the er of packages which are put the freezer. Then score one r each package used and you determine at a glance how packages of each kind of you have left.

ides knowing what you have freezer, it is almost an essen- o predetermine as nearly as ble what and how much of food should go in the freezer. Without some kind of frozen food budget scaled to your family's food requirements and to the freezer space you have, filling the freezer is haphazard. Unless you plan what you *want* to freeze, foods you depend upon your freezer to sup- ply, and the amount of freezing space you actually have just won't come out even. By next spring you may find that you froze more peas and beans than you actually needed, and you have run short of strawberries or raspberries. Or it may be that in mid-summer your freezer is packed with not another spare inch left for the blueberries or broccoli you had anticipated getting in there. But forethought will make the whole freezer opera- tion work smoothly and efficiently. It takes into account the foods you plan to freeze, the quantity of vege- tables and fruits you will need from one season to the next, and fits each to the freezer space you have available. With the summer fruit and vegetable season coming on, now is a good time to work out this budget.

We like the idea of combining a contents chart with a frozen food

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budget making one master plan to work with for both filling and using from the freezer.

Decide what foods you want your freezer to supply. Consider *first* those foods which are most easily accessible, produced from your own or a nearby farmer's garden, fruit trees or berry bushes. (And let us stress once again, how *good* home-frozen fruits and vegetables are, how easy they are to freeze, and how you can get a much wider variety by growing and freezing your own year-round supply.)

If you live within a short dis-



tance of the coast procure, fresh from the sea, a wide variety of fish and shellfish. Inland lakes and rivers can be abundant sources of fresh water fish. For your meat and poultry supply, look to a local farmer, your regular butcher, or perhaps a wholesale house, and make arrangements to purchase these food items in bulk in the quantities needed. If you have a particularly excellent cook (or are one yourself) with a practiced hand that knows the secrets of baking, make in bulk your favorite fine breads, rolls, pastries and cakes. Like Grandmama, you can set up "bake days," but instead of overloading your table for the next few days with a too-heavy carbohydrate diet you'll wrap and seal the day's spoils in moisture-proof cellophane (after allowing them to cool thoroughly), and then store them in the freezer to parcel out such precious goods for mar meals to come.

Next, consider those foods yo would like to have in your freeze but which are not so readily avai able fresh. Some of these may b foods which you might wish to pu chase already frozen.

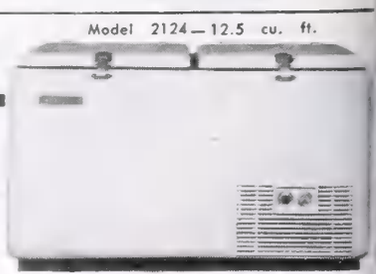
After you have decided wh foods you want to go into th freezer, the next step is to dete mine the quantity of each of the foods you will need. Try not to d pend upon guess work in this stag of your planning, but try to arri at fairly accurate quantities food needed by studying groce slips and daily menus to find th frequency with which differe foods are served. Or, over a perio of several weeks, you can keep a accurate account of what foo are served, using this as the bas for your calculations. If you wa your freezer to furnish all the mea for your table, plan on a two, thr or six months' supply of all th different kinds of meats you wi to serve. At the end of such tim replenish the supply with anothe Figure your fruit and vegetab needs from the end of one growin season to the start of the next. Pla on freezing an entire year's supp of broilers, fryers, turkeys an ducks, fruit pies and certain fis



like shad, which are most plentif at the time of year when they a running.

The next step is to fit your ca culated totals of food needed the freezing space you have. Th is the important step of trimmin

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ur food budget to the size of the eezer.

If you figure six cubic feet of ace will be needed for each 210-0 pounds of meat products, such ilky meats as turkeys and roast-g chickens are wasteful of freez-g space, but if you are careful to ackage meats compactly and bone e greatest portion of them before ackaging, you can count on a ean average of the 210-270 pound ure. Six cubic feet of storage ace will be needed for each 300 ctangular pint packages of fruits vegetables (if round freezing ntainers are used, fewer pack-es of fruits or vegetables can be ted into the same amount of eezing space).

If your freezing space will not commodate all the food you want freeze, you will have to cut your zen food budget down to where will. This can be done in one of veral ways. You can eliminate me food classifications from the dget; it is better to have a com-ete supply of those foods your eezer will hold rather than to ve an insufficient supply of many nds of frozen foods. So your best t might be to confine the freezer ntents to just fruits, vegetables, d specialties such as baked goods prepared dishes. You can also



m the budget to fit the freezer deciding on a smaller reserve meats, buying wholesale cuts re often than every three or six nths. Or you can freeze what-er quantity of vegetables and uits your freezer will hold and supplement your home-frozen supply with purchases of commercially frozen fruits and vegetables next winter as the freezer empties.

Once you have arrived at the total quantities of food which you want to freeze and which your freezer will hold, jot down these figures in the column next to the food listings where we have left space for this purpose.

IN THE next column, indicate the season or month in which to plan to fill your freezer with the food you want to freeze. Extra space is left here for your own jottings of the best time to get your spring broilers or buy the best baskets of berries, since food seasons vary so much throughout the country. As you work with the chart in planning meals (it is ideal for this purpose), this column will be a handy reminder of the foods that are due in the freezer. There will be hardly a month throughout the year when a food supply of one kind or another will not be needed to replenish the foods that are used each day.

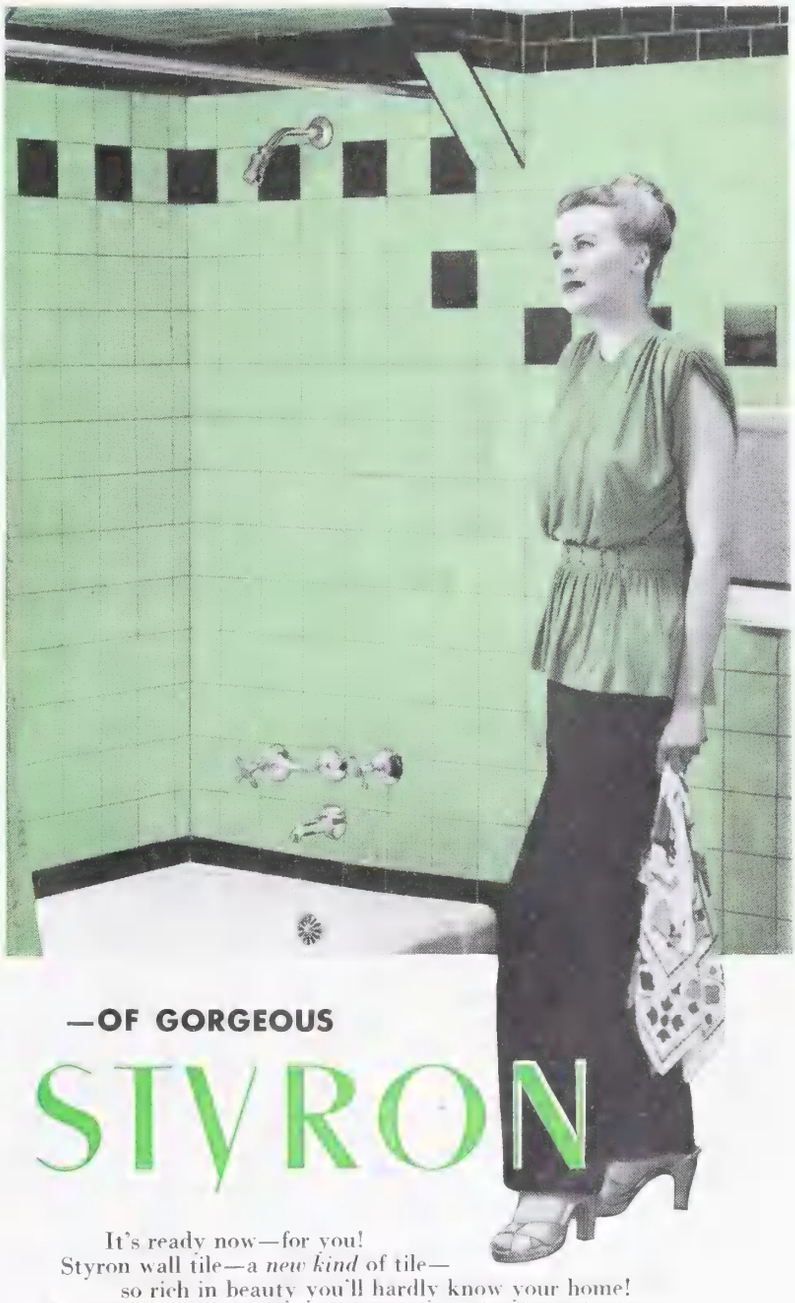
Speaking of filling the freezer, you will find it highly profitable from the standpoint of finer flavor to get "firsts" of the season to fill your frozen vegetable quota. This is especially true of carrots, beets, turnips, greens and all those which are likely to become strong flavored, tough and fibrous when they grow slowly during hot, dry summer months. First of the season vegetables are more apt to be the fast-growing, sweet-tasting ones.

Each time you place packages of food in the freezer, mark down the number of packages in the column so designated. And each time you include food from your freezer on a menu, mark it down on the scoreboard provided for this. By simple subtraction you will then know at all times where your next meal is coming from.



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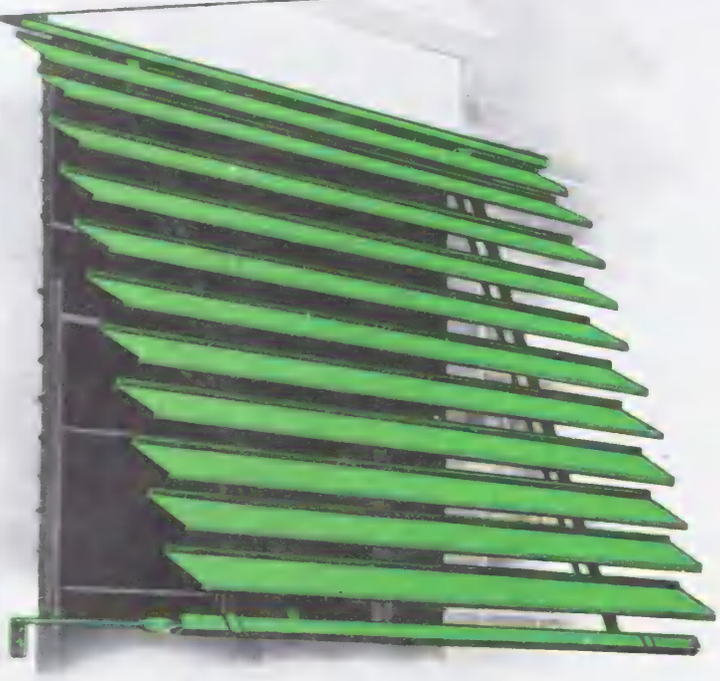
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By JOHN A. GRANT and CAROL L. GRANT
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Do you clip your shrubs into a pattern that you prefer, or do you let them develop their individual characters?

The primary fundamental of pruning is to cut so as to preserve and accentuate a plant's natural habit of growth. Hedges may be clipped in the strictly formal garden, but this is the only case where clipping should be used. Clipping a shrub so as to form an even, solid mass of foliage takes away all the natural grace and beauty of its normal loose-growth pattern and texture. You lose the play of light and shade by which the natural looseness and irregularity of a shrub gives essential softness and grace to the garden planting. The diagrams opposite show the difference between pruning and clipping.

Evergreen trees and shrubs frequently need a light pruning at this time of the year to make them more shapely. Pruning takes a little more time and care than clipping, but the difference in effect makes it well worth while. If you do have a hedge and your garden is not strictly formal, you will find that pruning instead of clipping not only gives a softer effect but prevents the hedge from making the garden seem small or restricted. You will create an illusion of greater space.

A great many broadleaf evergreen shrubs, particularly those that are grown in the warmer regions (HOUSE BEAUTIFUL Zone Map, Zones 2, 3, 6, 7) tend to make loose lush growth in gardens at this time of the year. Some of them flower on terminal bloom buds (examples: rhododendrons, camellias, kalmias, evergreen azaleas), and should *not* be cut at this time. Many other evergreens, though, are better for a light pruning once or twice during the growing season to force sturdy growth.

A number of broadleaf ev green shrubs, such as *Photi serrulata* and *P. glabra*, whi have handsome brightly colo new foliage, not only need t pruning to keep them from coming too rank and soft but t handsome effect of the brilli red-bronze new growth is prolon well into the summer by t pruning.

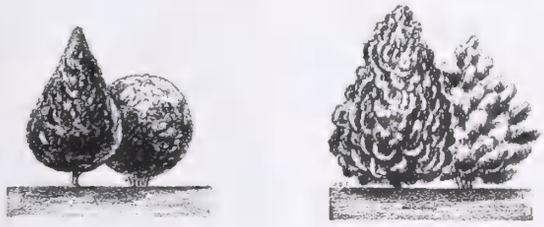
The following is a list of bro leaf evergreen shrubs which n pruning at this time of the y to prevent legginess and ma them shapely:

Abelia grandiflora
Arbutus unedo
Cistus
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus
Choisya
Escallonia rubra, macrantha a hybrids
Elaeagnus pungens
Ligustrum ludicum and *japonic*
Mahonia aquifolium
Osmanthus illicifolius
Photinia serrulata, glabra
Pernettya mucronata
Raphiolepis indica rosea
Rhododendron augustini, yun nense and similar small-lea species and hybrids
Stranvaesia davidiana
Viburnum tinus

This is the time of the y when broadleaf evergreen shr trained against a wall need to pruned carefully to keep th from bushing out in the wr places. The following is a list those which may be trimmed against a wall and need prun at this time of the year:

Azara microphylla
Camellia sasanqua
Ceanothus, evergreen species
Escallonia, evergreen species hybrids
Euonymus, evergreen species varieties.

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● A steeple and a globe, left, are some people's idea of a handsome pair of retinosporas. But how much more attractive than these sheared specimens are the two at the right that have been allowed to assume their natural graceful forms



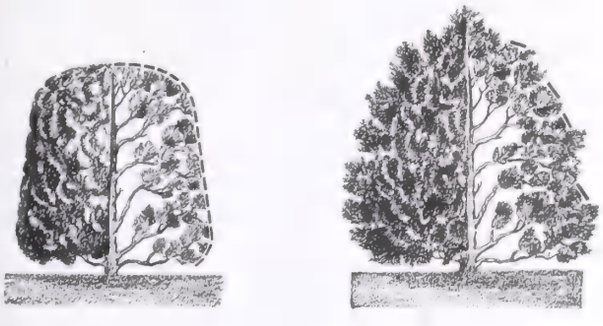
● Don't dig up and discard an evergreen just because its shape has been spoiled by clipping or shearing (left). You can bring it back (center) by removing dead twigs at heart and by thinning out shoots. Result: restored shrub, right



● Clipping broadleaf evergreens (left) cuts leaves in half and exposes ugly stubs of twigs. Culturally, it will weaken the shrubs. Instead of clipping, prune your abelia, mahonia, and other broadleaf evergreens when necessary, as at right



● Growth of clipped broadleaf evergreens (left), like that of clipped needle evergreens, becomes twiggy and poor. Pruning (right) will encourage the stiffening of soft growth and formation of side shoots. Result: a shapely shrub



● If you could examine a clipped broadleaf evergreen in cross section, you would notice a lot of dead, twiggy growth. Boxwood is the only one that can "take" shearing, and it looks better in its natural form, like the shrub at right



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A number of coniferous evergreen trees and shrubs need this same pruning. This does not include whacking a tree back so that it won't get too big for its location. That isn't pruning; it is butchering. However, many trees need some guidance in the way of pruning. Stiff, symmetrical, crisp-foliaged conifers like spruce (*Picea*) and the true firs (*Abies*) as a rule require no pruning at all. Plant them in a place where they have ample room to develop as specimens and don't need to be controlled by pruning.

Many pines, on the other hand, particularly the Japanese bl pine, and the European Mugo may be made more interesting judicious pruning. The new shoots on a pine look like dles. To prune, pinch out the l ing "candle" forcing the gro into the side buds below. De more busy growth will result, it will have a completely nat effect.

All the coniferous evergr with fine fluffy foliage or ce like foliage, such as the known Lawson's cypress in many forms, often need the cipline of pruning instead of harsh clipping which weakens t and destroys their natural bea

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Mexico on the Up and Up

It is to be noted that Mexican hotels have been vastly improved both as to service and accommodations—Hotel de Cortes, Hotel Isabel, and the Angel Inn at San Angel, to name some. Cortes and Angel Inn are old monasteries, and Isabel, an old vice-regal palace. All are completely remodeled and modernized.

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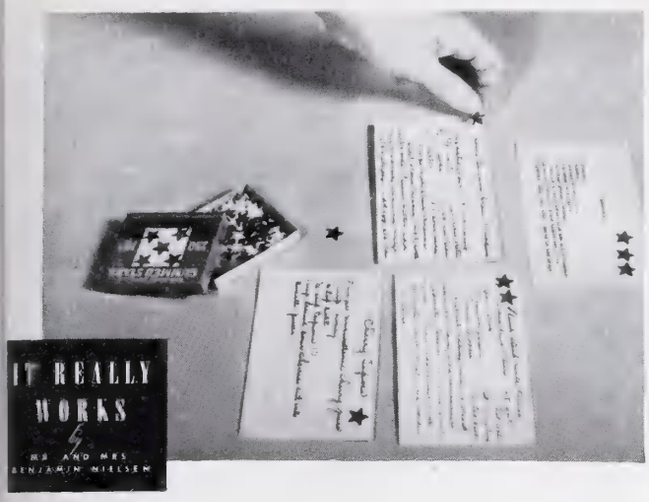
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PANTRY SHELF NEWS

By Julie Polshek

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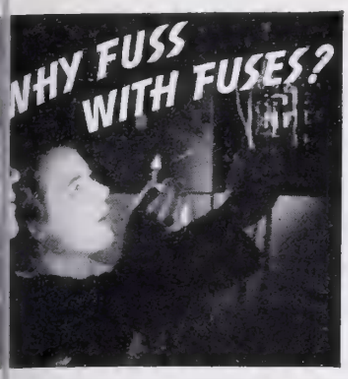
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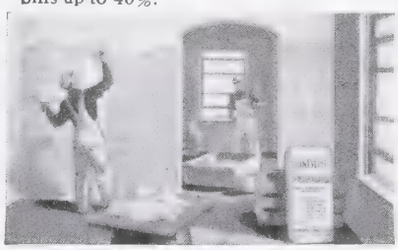
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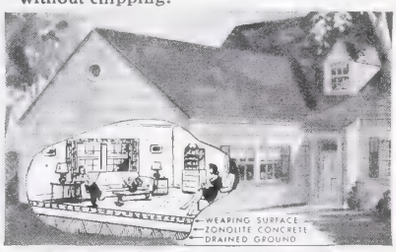
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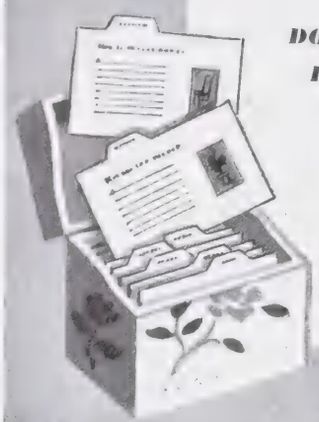
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Animal stains: Sponge immediately with warm water or with solution of ½ cup salt to 1 qt. lukewarm water, followed by sponging with 1 part ammonia to 20 parts water. Use very absorbent cloth.

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Food stains: Sponge with clear lukewarm water to remove water-soluble substances. For remaining grease spots, see above.

Ink: Permanent ink seldom responds to home treatment. Washable ink can sometimes be removed if blotted up immediately with blotter. Then sponge spot toward center with clear water. Or try a saturated solution of oxalic acid, rinsing it out thoroughly by sponging several times with cloth wrung out of clear water.

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Snappycrax Cocktail Snax are tantalizing morsels you *must* get acquainted with if you're of the school that believes the judicious use of garlic has no equal to raise the spirits of food and bring out its flavor. We admit that the whole idea of garlic-flavored cocktail tidbits is unusual. But these dime-size snacks are as delicious as they are surprising to the palate. They're sheer perfection for cocktail time, for they whet your appetite for the cocktail—and for more snacks. The garlic flavoring has been so delicately infused into the tidbits that it doesn't overtake your palate until after the first nibble or two. From then on the flavor stealthily pyramids and makes you pleasantly aware of its contribution to the goodness of the snacks. In addition to shredded-wheats, and wheat and

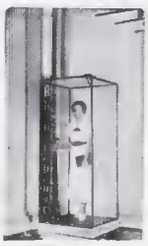
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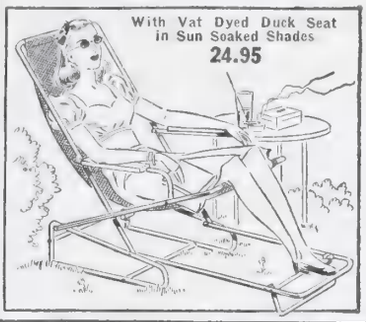
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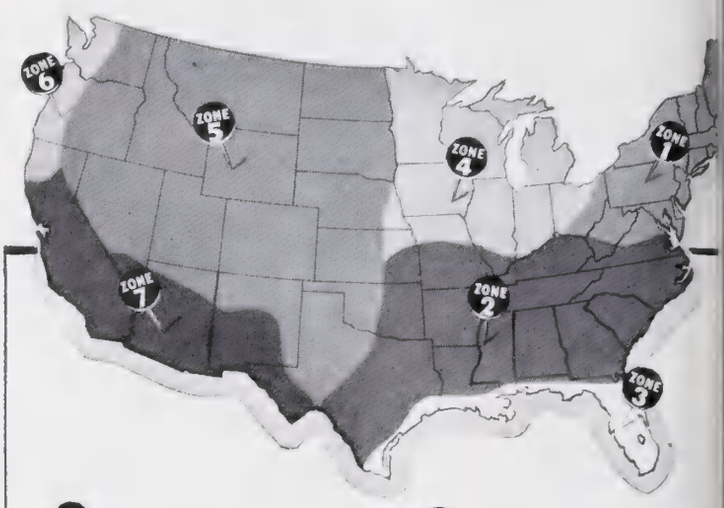
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This is HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S Gardening Zone Map of the United States. It is divided into seven main zones, determined not only by temperatures, but by soil, rainfall, and other factors that bear on what you can grow successfully. Whenever gardening procedures depend upon locale, we try to give the best advice for each zone, indicating the zone by number. Find your own zone number on the map so that you may apply our observations and reminders here and elsewhere in the magazine to your garden.

Experienced gardeners notice with regret how quickly chances for g gardens are destroyed around new houses. Workmen cover up t of the good soil with subsoil from the excavation, mix great quant of plaster and rubbish with this, then run over it with heavy truck wet weather. Little wonder that the new owners cannot raise nice flow shrubs, and lawn in this "contractor's soil."

If you are a prospective house builder, you'll be wise to discuss your contractor—before work starts—ways of preserving the good on your lot. Where houses are being constructed by the dozen to acc modate ex-GI's, the problem is a community one and may well be ta up by local garden and civic clubs.

In choosing trees and shrubs for your grounds, consider their wi interest, especially if you live in the North. The red-twig dogw golden-twig willow, wing-barked euonymus, gray and white birches all attractive without leaves. However, avoid shrubs with yellow lea such as golden privet and golden retinospora. These develop a si appearance which lends no cheer to dreary winter days.

May is the month when *Rhododendron macrophyllum* (someti called *R. californicum*), the state flower of Washington, is in its pr It grows close to the coast, from southern British Columbia to north California. Early May is also the time to see the coastal scenery of Northwest at its best and most colorful.

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ners of American elm trees will be the losers in August if they have their trees sprayed this spring. By midsummer, unsprayed are often a sorry sight, with leaves brown and full of holes from wages of canker worms and leaf beetles. But this isn't the only re- Left in a weakened condition, the trees may be prey to the fatal elm disease.

ns are usually of a size that cannot be reached with a hand sprayer, sensible thing to do is to engage a tree expert to spray at the r time. Be sure you call in a tree man who can either show you ate license or some other proof of his ability and experience. Fake "experts," like fake compost and topsoil dispensers, are bound to nd on gardeners at this season of the year.

n any entomologist explain this disappearing act? Some 20 years lm scale, cottony maple scale, and oyster-shell scale were first d in Denver. Within ten years they had infested a large propor- f trees. It looked as though ash and maple trees were doomed. m that time on, the oyster-shell scale lessened, but the elm scale s a serious threat to all the elms. The cottony maple scale mys- sly disappeared and had not been seen for several years until when it fed not only on maple but on elm, honeylocust, and sev- other trees.

ou own a garden pool, by all means set out some tropical water this month, when the temperature of the water is 60 degrees or Few plants equal these in color range and in fragrance of flowers. night-blooming and day-blooming varieties are available.

f spot, that frequently appears on chrysanthemums in Florida, gravated by the practice of increasing the plants by division. If ant to avoid this trouble, start a new planting each spring with e-free, northern-grown rooted cuttings. They are usually available the first of August.

ur climbing and rambler roses will be more uniformly covered bloom if you train the canes horizontally. Where this is impractical, them around their supports or zigzag them from one side to the against a wall or fence or whatever support they have.



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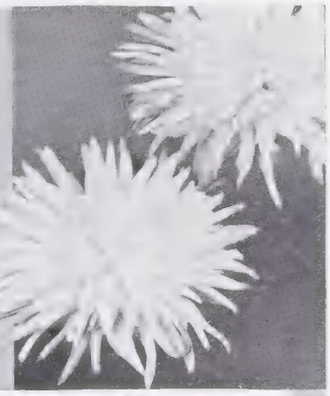
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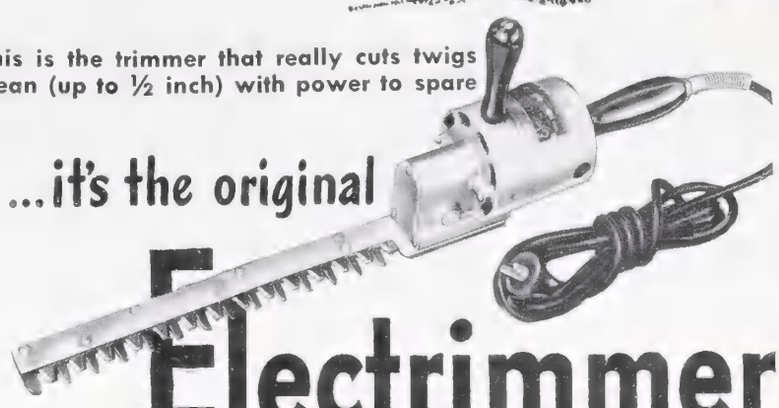
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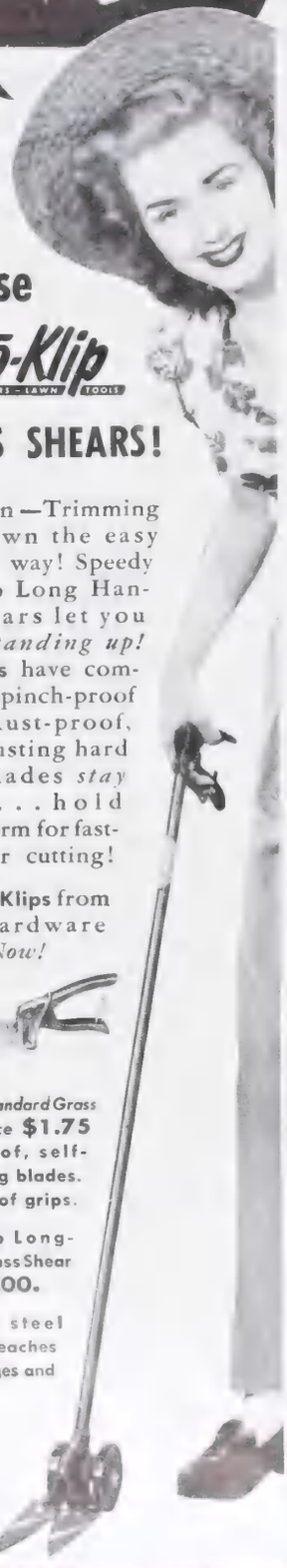


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● An espalier should be planted far enough away from a building so its branches will cast pleasing shadows, and its roots can reach soil moisture. Thomas Church, landscape architect

So You Haven't Enough Room For GARDENING?

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he handsome *Magnolia grandiflora* an train it against their houses nd ultimately pick the large fra- rant cup-flowers from a second r third floor window.

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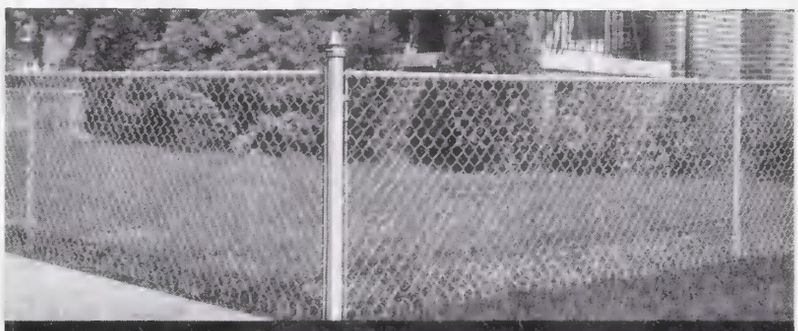
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By the same token, you can enjoy earlier bloom from spring shrubs if you plant them against a wall that faces south or east to catch and reflect the sunlight. Bloom of an espalier will precede by a week or more that of a shrub in the open.

Another phenomenon about a vertically trained plant is that it will grow at least a third taller than in its usual three-dimensional form. A mature forsythia, that ordinarily would reach nine or ten feet, grew up to the third-story windows of a building on the Princeton University campus, where some of the finest samples of espaliered trees and shrubs may be seen.

WITH an unlimited choice of shrubs and small trees to add to your grounds through espaliering, it will pay you to be discriminating. If you have always wanted a deutzia, by all means invest in one to espalier. But before you buy more shrubs, survey your grounds and make notes on the vertical spaces available for filling, remembering that espaliered shrubs will grow taller than ordinarily. If you have a large space to fill, say a façade 15 feet square, choose a small tree, like a star magnolia a viburnum, or other large shrub. A small space could be filled by an abelia or low cotoneaster.

Also consider how you are going to support your espaliers, because most of them will need tying up or guidance such as you give your rambler and climbing roses. You can tie them to a wire or open-wood fence, but a wall or façade presents more of a problem.

For training against stone or brick, you can stretch horizontal wires to hold the espaliered shrub against its support. Add others as the shrub grows, spacing them one to two feet apart, depending on the stiffness of the branches. You can use vine tacks, or even staples for very light vines. To support a heavy shrub, however, attach wires to expansion shields with eye bolts on a stone surface, or to rawl (fiber) plugs on a brick surface.

It will pay you to have a special framework made when you train an espalier against a wooden façade. This will simplify painting the buildings. Instead of wiring the shrub right to the façade, have a wire or wooden framework built to hinge at the bottom and unhook at the top. (See sketch, page 142.) Locate the supporting lattice far enough from the façade so the shrub doesn't get roof drip, but finds enough soil moisture.

You will want to plant your espalier close to its support. In order to do this you will need to give drastic pruning and remove the roots and branches on the poor side of the shrub that will face the support. Prune these back carefully either to the base of the shrub or to a branching-off place. Do this before planting in a sizable hole which you will refill with a mixture of good topsoil and compost, as for any shrub.

Training your espalier is a matter of common sense. With the shrub in place, you will select well-spaced branches to form the framework and tie these to the supporting wire or lattice. Then prune out the excess small twiggy branches. Subsequent pruning should be given once a year, with special attention to guiding the main branches to fill available wall space. For general pruning principles, you can use as your guide the series of articles on pruning now running in HOUSE BEAUTIFUL garden pages.

If you haven't enough room in your garden, try espaliering some shrubs. Here are some suggestions for each of various gardening and climate zones. Read the list for your zone only.

Zone 1—The Northeast, and Zone 4—The Middle West

Following are just a few of the many possibilities, grouped by texture. Maximum height and flower and fruit interest are also given.

Fine-textured for dainty effect:

Abelia (*A. grandiflora*), 10′, pale pink flowers in summer

Rockspray (*Cotoneaster horizontalis*), 10′, nearly evergreen, red fruits

Bladder-senna (*Colutea arborescens*), 20′, yellow flowers in May

Winter jasmine (*Jasminum nudiflorum*), 15′, yellow flowers February or March

Father Hugo's rose (*R. hugonis*), 10′-15′, yellow single flowers in spring

Tamarisk (*Tamarix parviflora*), 30′, pink flowers in May

Yew (*Taxus* species), 15′, narrowleaf evergreen

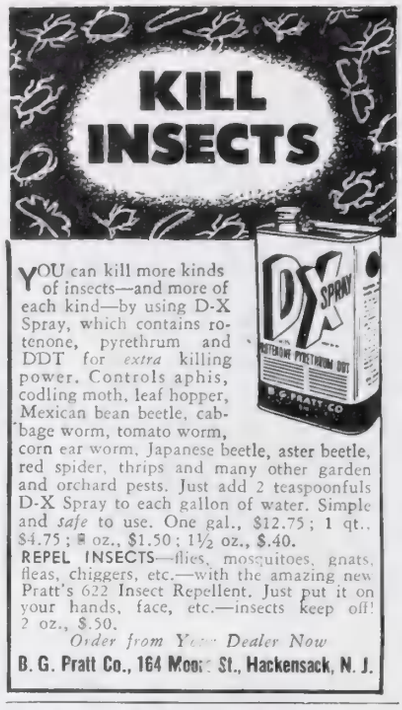
Medium-textured for general use:

Fiveleaf aralia (*Acanthopanax pentaphyllum*), 15′

Butterflybush (*Buddleia alternifolia*), 15′, purple flowers in June

Flowering quince (*Cydonia japonica*), 15′, pink flowers in May

Compact winged euonymus (*E. alatus compactus*), 15′, red fruit



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25′, yellow flowers in April
rethorn (*Pyracantha cocci-*
, 15′, evergreen, cream-white
ers in June, orange fruits in
autumn

e-textured for bold effect:
irple filbert (*Corylus avellana*
urpurea), 25′, purple leaves,
ins in April
inese witch hazel (*Hamamelis*
is), 25′, yellow flowers in Feb-
y or March
ucer magnolia (*M. soulan-*
a), 15′-30′, reddish purple
rs in May
ublefile viburnum (*V. toment-*
), 25′, white flowers in May,
fruits

e 2—The South

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for enclosed outdoor living
s, espaliered shrubs are in-
iently seen in the South. This
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ly, however, especially to in-
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s useful in Zones 1 and 4,
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liflora) makes a handsome,
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clothed with foliage, all es-
red material must be protected
the sun for one or two sea-
North, west, and east walls
est, because hot southern walls
'cook" even established plants.

3—Florida and the
strip

is zone is blessed with many
vines, but still espaliered
s are welcome in small gar-
especially in patios. The fol-
lowing are useful in Zone 3:

Fine-textured:

Abelia (*A. grandiflora*), 5′-10′ pale pink flowers in summer

Flame of the woods (*Ixora coccinea*), 10′-15′, red flowers, summer

Blue leadwort (*Plumbago capensis*), 5′, light blue flowers in summer

Medium-textured:

Common camellia (*C. japonica*), 10′-15′, flowers several shades of red and white, winter

Sasanqua camellia (*C. sasanqua*), 5′-10′ pink and white flowers, in autumn

Natal plum (*Carissa grandiflora*), 10′-15′, white flowers followed by red fruits; frost-free areas only

Crape myrtle (*Lagerstroemia indica*), 15′-20′, pink flowers in May, June and July

Firethorn (*Pyracantha coccinea*), 15′-20′, white flowers followed by orange fruits, November to January

Coarse-textured:

Bullbay (*Magnolia grandiflora*), 30′-40′ or more, white flowers, May to August

Traveller's tree (*Ravenala madagascarensis*), 25′-35′, flowers and fruits only on mature trees, frost-free areas only

Golden chalice (*Solandra guttata*), 10′-15′, yellow flowers in summer; only for frost-free sections

Zone 5—The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain

Espalier effects as seen in the East are rare here, probably because shrubs so used are likely to winterburn, especially if used on south walls. East exposure is best.

Fine-textured:

Cotoneaster (*C. acutifolia*), 5′-10′, red fruits in fall

Father Hugo's rose (*R. hugonis*), 10′-15′, yellow flowers

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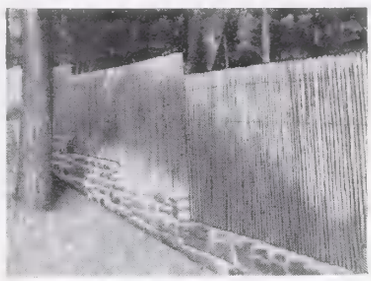
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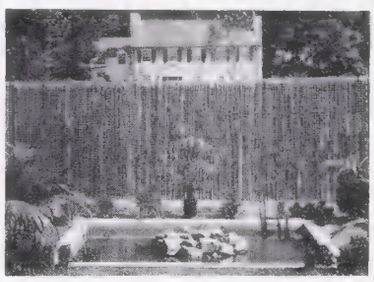
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Tamarisk (*Tamarix hispida*), 10′-15′, pink flowers in May

Medium-textured:

Flowering almond (*Prunus glandulosa*), 5′, pink flowers in spring

Russian olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*), 20′-25′, yellow flowers in spring followed by brown fruits

Weeping forsythia (*F. suspensa*), 10′-20′, yellow flowers in April

Bush honeysuckles (*Lonicera* species), 10′-15′, small flowers followed by summer fruits

Coarse-textured:

Hungarian lilac (*Syringa josikaea*), 15′, violet flowers in June

Hairy lilac (*S. villosa*), 10′; lilac flowers in May or June

Wayfaring tree (*Viburnum lantana*), 15′-20′, white flowers in spring followed by red fruits that turn black

Zone 6—The Northwest

We can grow as espaliers most of the shrubs listed under Zones 1 and 4. The following, too, are useful for this purpose in the Northwest:

Fine-textured:

Boxleaf azara (*A. microphylla*), 15′-20′, yellow flowers, early spring

Evergreen ceanothus (*C. thrysiflorus*), 10′-15′, blue flowers in May

Medium-textured:

Sasanqua camellia (*C. sasanqua*), 5′-10′, pink and white flowers in winter

Escallonias (*E. montevidensis* and *iveyi*), 15′-20′, white flowers in summer

Zone 7—California and the Southwest

Many attractive plants are available for espaliering. Here are a few of the most effective:

Fine-textured:

Star jasmine (*Trachelospermum jasminoides*) 5′-10′, white flowers in late spring and early summer

Medium-textured:

Calliandra (*C. guildingi* and *inaequilatera*), 10′-20′, red flowers most of the year

Sasanqua camellia (*Camellia sasanqua*), 5′-10′, pink and white flowers in autumn

Cascade chrysanthemum, 5′-10′, various colors in fall

Grewia (*G. asiatica* and *caffra*), 15′-20′, light purple flowers most of the year, and small fruits

Climbing Mexican mock orange (*Philadelphus mexicanus*), 5′ thick growth, fragrant white ers in spring

Firethorn (*Pyracantha gra* and *koidzumi*), 10′-20′, red f

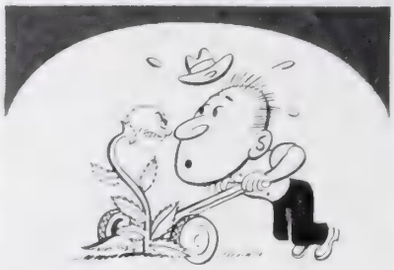
Evergreen pear (*Pyrus k kami*), 10′-20′, white flowers in uary; seldom fruits

Xylosma (*Xylosma* species) 10′, flowers inconspicuous; m mat of growth

Coarse-textured:

Fringed hibiscus (*H. schiz alus*), 15′-25′, red flowers in mer

Saucer magnolia (*M. soul ana*), 15′-30′, reddish purple ers in spring



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Down South, where le rather than necessity is the "m of invention," the "lazy-bed" r od is one way of raising Irish toes with little effort.

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eaking of okra brings to mind ibiscus relative, the southern berry or roselle. This *Hibiscus ifera*, as it is technically n, grows into a huge, sprawl- plant. The acid flower buds made into a jelly somewhat hat of the northern cranberry. may be sown at once and, okra, the plants should be ly mulched to avoid root-knot todes, and watered during spells.

inging back a neglected but ous fruit tree takes time if you right.

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e group he cut back heavily ist the proper framework; trees reacted by throwing out ities of suckers that he has fighting ever since; no fruit The other group he pruned rately over a period of three with the result that they are nicely shaped trees and—most ding of all—blossomed quite ously this spring.

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By Charles E. Gapen

This garden quiz is even fun for the layman who is often inclined to the opinion that members of plant families were picked from a grab bag. The Kentucky coffee tree and red clover don't seem to be brothers under the sky, but they are really just as Mikeanikeish as the ground-cherry and the Chinese lantern (*Physalis* to you, Phyllis).

There is a logical basis for these convenient arrangements, and sometimes this sanity shows in the faces of the flowers, the lines of the leaves, and the dark ways of the roots and the company they keep. It may even be that the members of a quite respectable family can be placed in their proper bailiwick because of a bad smell (the *Solonaceae*, for instance).

In the list below are the names of 25 more or less well known plants—crop plants, ornamentals, trees and, in one case, the supposed ancient and primitive form of one of the great food crops of today. They belong in five families—five to each one. Get 20 in the right places and you are better than most victory gardeners ever were. Get 12 and you are still pretty good, especially if you put the strawberry and the ground-cherry where they belong.

The Plants

A—bean, B—blackberry, C—bridal wreath, D—radish, E—watercress, F—geum, G—sweet corn, H—wheat, I—cabbage, J—strawberry, K—ground cherry, L—teosinte, M—Kentucky coffee tree, N—raspberry, O—candytuft, P—rice, Q—turnip, R-potato, S—tomato, T—oats, U—eggplant, V—Jimson weed, W—locust tree, X—alfalfa, Y-pea.

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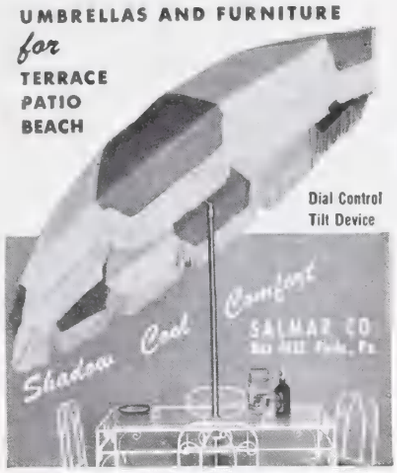
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The Families

1. Mustard Family—the *Cruciferae*
2. Grass family—the *Gramineae*
3. Nightshade Family—the *Solanaceae*
4. Pulse Family—the *Leguminosae*
5. Rose Family—the *Rosaceae*

House the family members in spaces provided. Solutions on page 255.

Family 1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Family 2	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Family 3	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Family 4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Family 5	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

A FLOWER ARRANGER'S CALENDAR FOR MAY

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 197

crown imperial (*Fritillaria imperialis*), that gigantic piece of fantastic decoration that dominates so many eighteenth-century flower prints. It is one of the few large-scale flowers that bloom in May, and its dim orange color, its extraordinary blue "tears," and its wild whoosh of a topknot of green green leaves make it something to conjure with in an arrangement.

In the House

1. There are times when it is "good theatre" (which amounts to the same thing as good decoration), to stress, purposely, the naive and romantic quality of some particular flower. Thus, while lilacs can be used effectively enough in a stylized flower arrangement with considerable emphasis on line, they are sometimes more appealing in a certain type of room when used en masse with little or no foliage. Group them in round, billowy clumps, suggesting, in the contour of the arrangement, the appearance of the bush itself in full bloom. This will concentrate attention upon the lilacs' two greatest assets—color and fragrance.

2. For a beginner, using a needle holder: Do not place the stems of your flowers awkwardly, like a woman standing with her feet wide apart. Keep stems close together at the base of the arrangement. It will give them poise.

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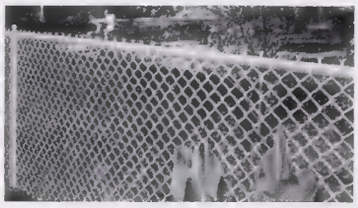
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and too much, of course, w overpower the delicacy of the

4. At just two seasons ca arranger have a satisfactory of deep vibrant colors—in au flowers and foliage and in tulips of mid-May. Don't fo play safe with pretty pastels. is your chance to revel in rich, strong, full-bodied.

Try letting yellow dom running out into orange orange-red, trailing it throug into red-violet. Or feature th and purples, spilling over orange and yellow and y green. Your palette is truly velous, because in between colors you can use all the st muted half-shades, the rich ple-bronzes, the rusts, apricots, silvery pinks, lemo lows which give depth and su that few other flowers will s

If you are daring enough skillful enough, you can u- whole spectrum. Try n orange dominant, playing one side of it with reds and v on the other side with yello yellow-greens. Then, add spikes of delphinium, to g complementary flick of bl electric blue! Let yoursel

5. If you love pansies and quantities of beautiful Swiss in your garden, why not containers to go with the your house is sophisticate rather formal, you might use shallow bowls, or Chinese grain porcelain, or old silve ringers, or Chinese Lowest your setting is simple and inf there are fascinating littl china mugs, and fingerbowl

6. The best thing about p (in addition, of course, to color and personality), is th that you can cut all you w them. Now that they are lished, you can even cut the long stems, foliage and bud good for them. Give them a fertilizer cocktail, keep them, and their "innocent will look up at you from the table after most people's have gone to seed.

7. Certain spring flowers quaint character that seems mand that they be us "bunches" surrounded with of their own leaves. Violets roses, English daisies, all fective this way. Bunc bunches, if you like, in a lo keeping separate colors i rate bunches. Primroses, all the way from pale ye deep dusty red, are part lovely when they're treated th

It's Not Too Late To Start

YOUR GARDEN

pring slips away from gardeners all too quickly. Perhaps you el it is getting too late to replant add to your flower beds at home, to start a garden beside your mmer cottage. Then be reassured at, wherever you live, you can ill have a garden this season.

May Day introduces the beginng of settled spring weather in any parts of the country. Spring lbs and rock plants are in bloom, d it is definitely too late to move ring-blooming perennials like eedingheart and Jacobs-ladder, ough you can always take a ance if you dig them with a rge shovelful of earth and whisk em quickly into another spot.

Most perennials that bloom in te summer and fall can be read- added to your garden any time ring May and early June. Espeally easy to move, even into the mmer, are chrysanthemums, merocallis, or daylilies, fall asrs, iris, physostegia, perennial nflowers, and shasta daisies.

N THE far South, tropical foliage perennials may be moved at any ason. The end of May opens the iny season in Florida so this is ideal time to move bananas, ndanus, agaves, euphorbias, and so palms. Here and in California ere perennials and shrubs are ised in one- and five-gallon cans, is possible to set out plants enever a gardener gets the urge remake some spot in the garden.

Among California woody plants at are tough and reasonably easy transplant in late spring are aves, aloes, California barberry *Berberis nevini*), Geralton waxwers (*Chamaelaucium uncinam*), pride of Madeira (*Echium stuosum*), and some eucalyptus.

In the upper South, May is alost too late to move shrubs beuse of the heat and the necessity shading them with burlap or me other unsightly material.

If you live in the North, hower, you will have some selection flowering shrubs to transplant ring May. Pretty foolproof are e late blooming, die-back (in ost sections) shrubs, buddleia, vitex, and hibiscus. They make quick backgrounds and are ideal for summer places. Other shrubs that leaf out late, have compact fibrous roots, and are therefore fairly easy to move, include most of the hawthorns, euonymus, viburnums, leadplants (*Amorpha* species), as well as late-blooming spireas.

Evergreens, too, are easy to move through May and into June. If they are balled and burlapped, you can set them out any time up until their new growth approaches maturity. Azaleas, both evergreen and deciduous, can be moved even when they are in full bloom. In the warmest sections of the country, certain broadleaf evergreens can be transplanted, balled and burlapped anytime during the year. These include podocarpus, evergreen privets, pittosporum, severinia, and triphasis.

In all except the very northern tier of the country, May is the time to set out plants of annuals that are slow to flower, such as petunias, verbenas, China asters, and lobelia; to sow these outdoors for fall bloom; and to sow large seeded annuals such as marigold, nasturtium, and zinnia for fairly quick effects.

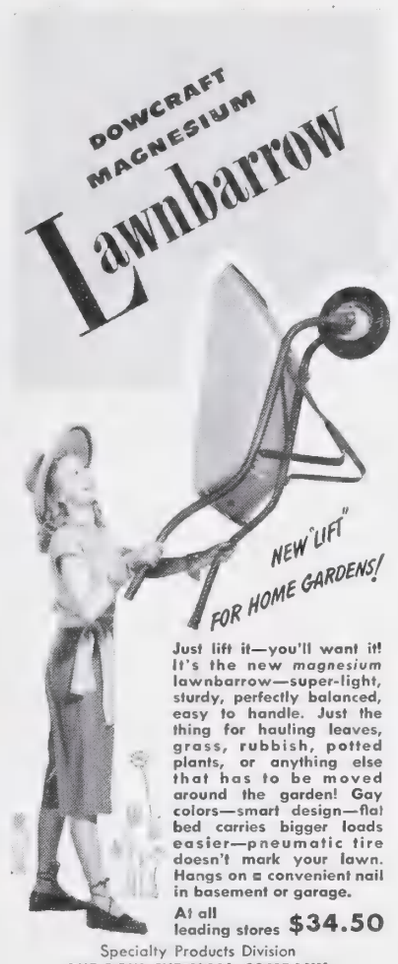
In the upper South, many annuals are sown at two-week intervals until mid-July, for fresh-looking beds of bloom until November. In the far South, however, where many cool-weather annuals have passed their best by May, gardeners who plan to stay home all summer will want to sow seed for replacements. Plants that will thrive in the high temperatures and frequent rains of Florida summers may be found largely in the daisy or *Compositae* family—ageratums, zinnias, marigolds, tithonias, sunflowers, and the like.

In the Northwest, it is customary to sow half-hardy annuals, such as lobelia, petunia, and salpiglossis, now, also to make a third sowing of larkspur, clarkia, godetia, and other hardy annuals to prolong their season of bloom.

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Solutions to Bedfellow Match on page 253

Family 1—D,	E,	I,	O,	Q
Family 2—G,	H,	L,	P,	T
Family 3—K,	R,	S,	U,	V
Family 4—A,	M,	W,	X,	Y
Family 5—B,	C,	F,	J,	N



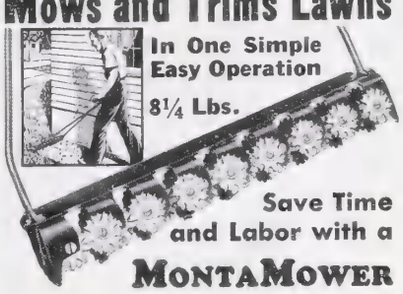
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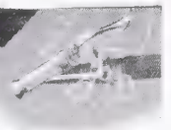
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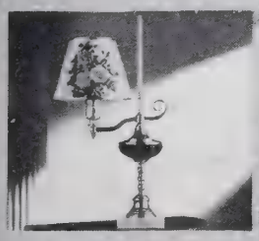


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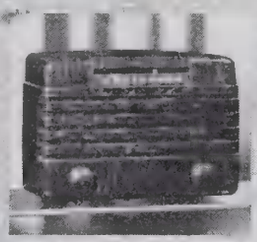
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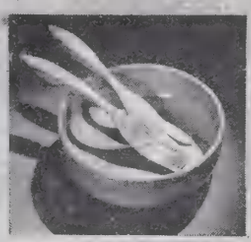
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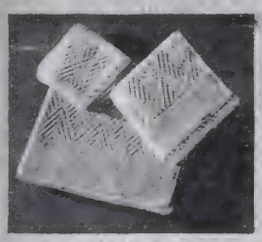
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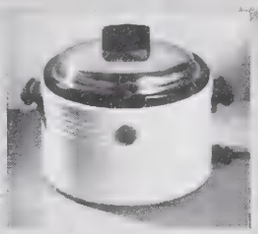
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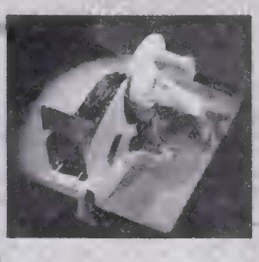


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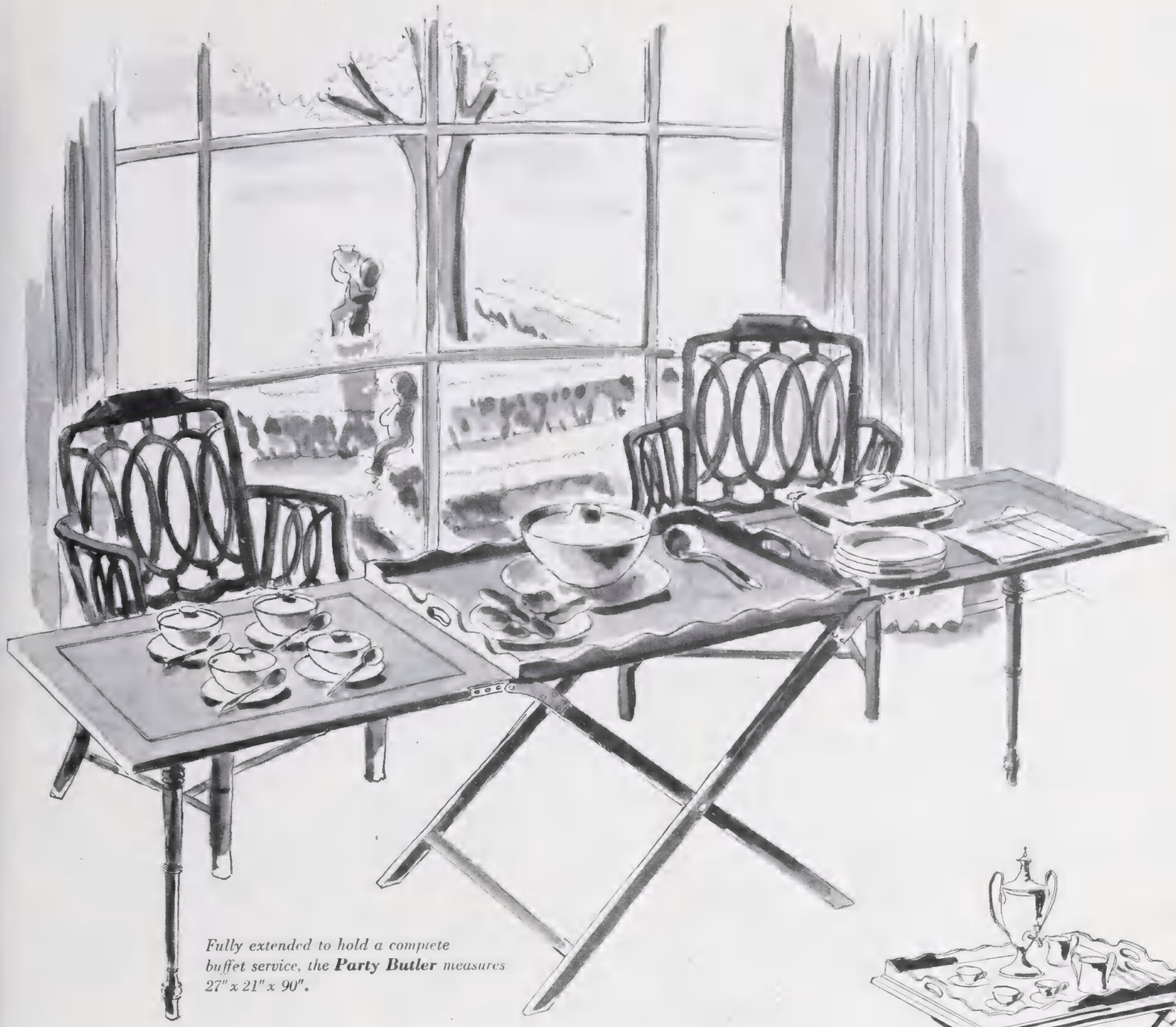
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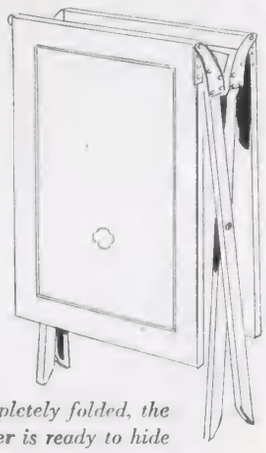
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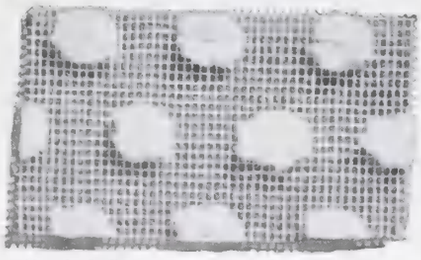
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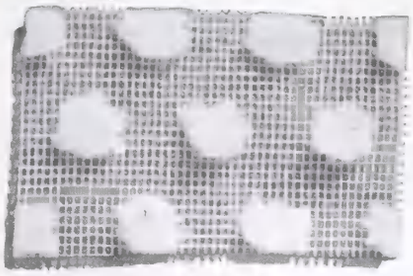
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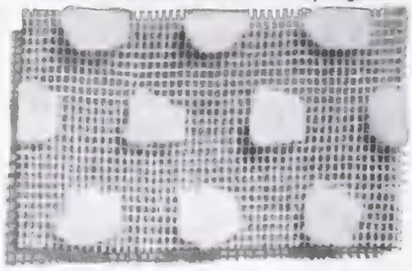
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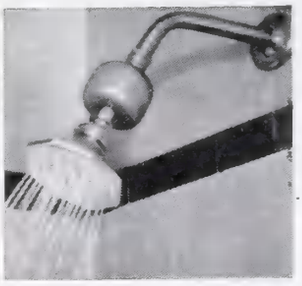
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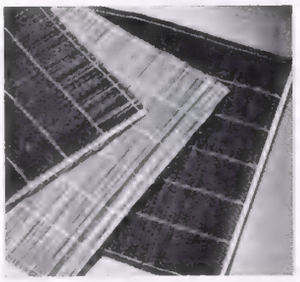
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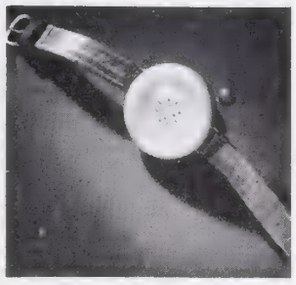


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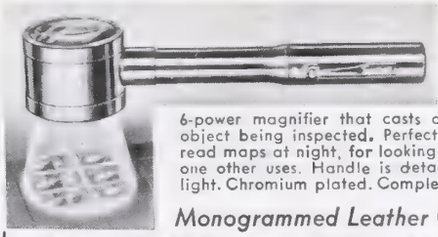


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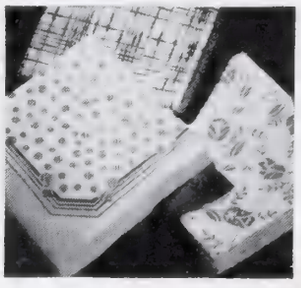
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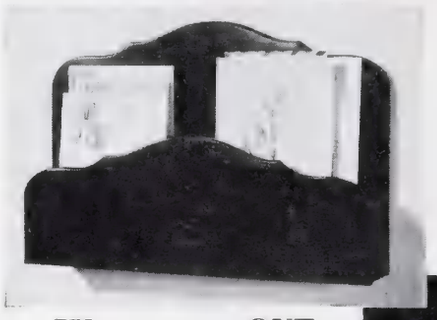
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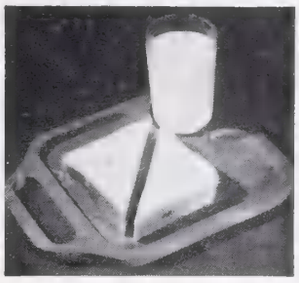
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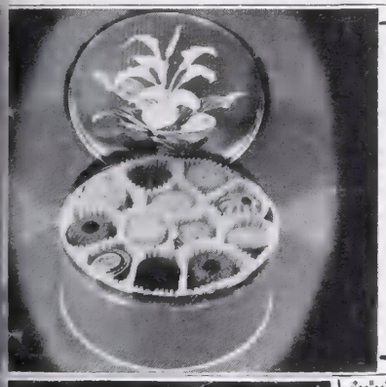


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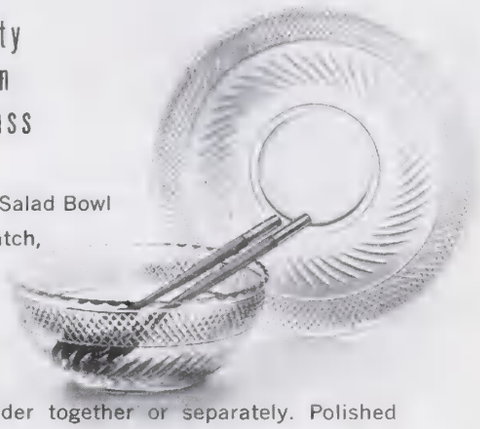
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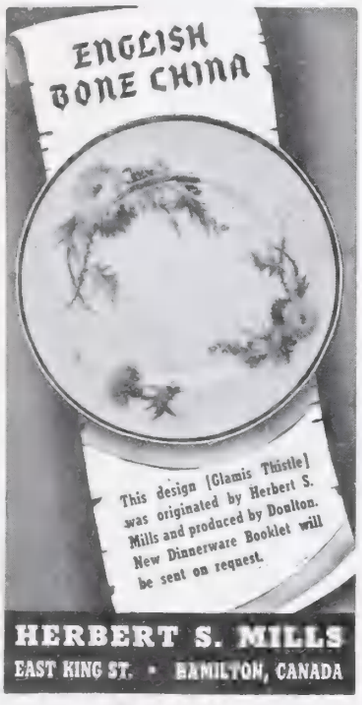
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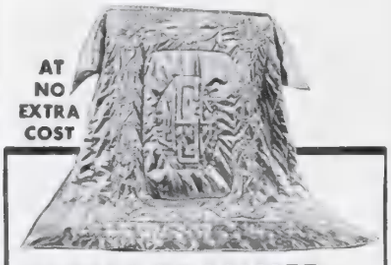
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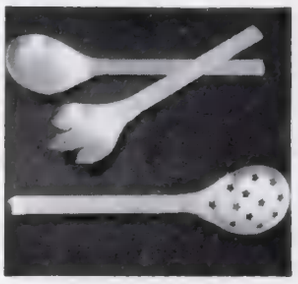


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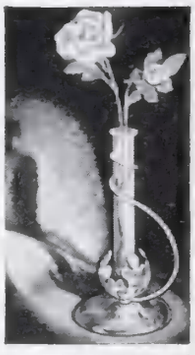
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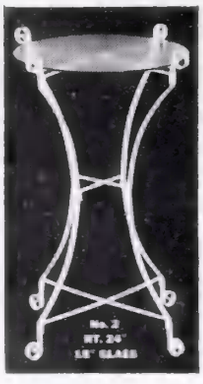
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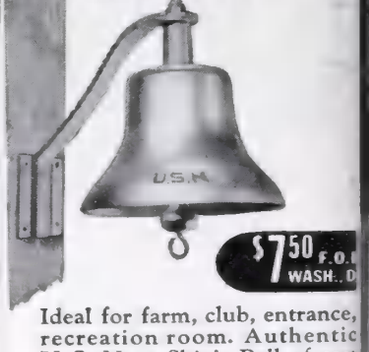
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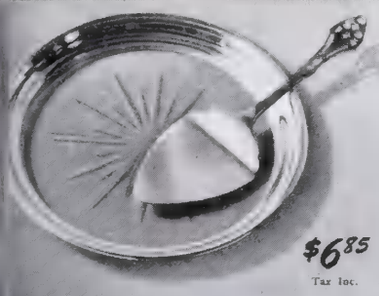


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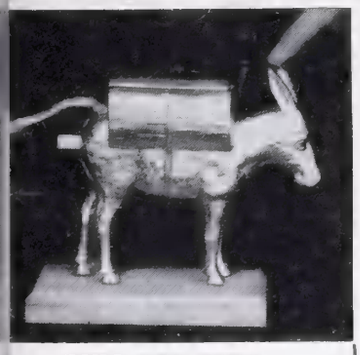


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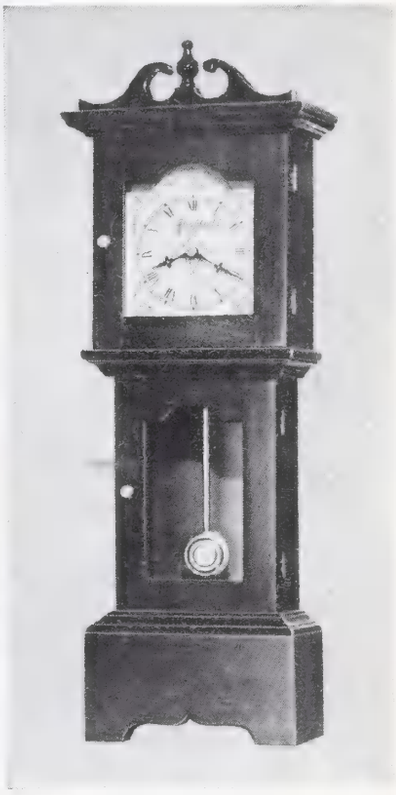


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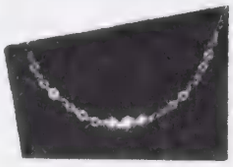
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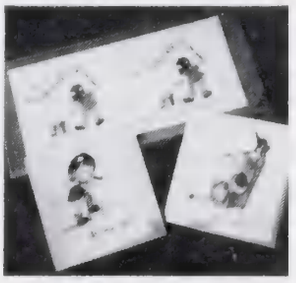
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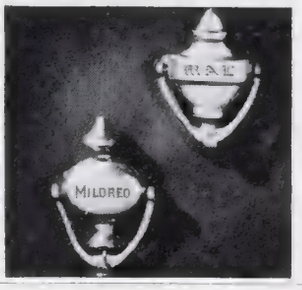
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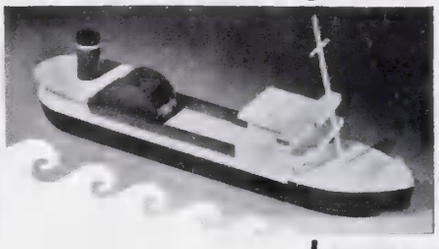


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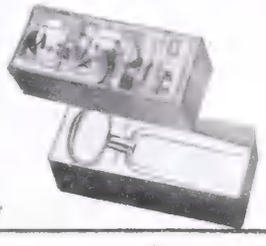
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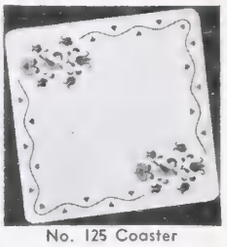


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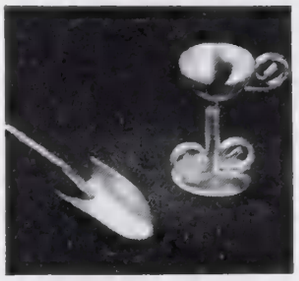
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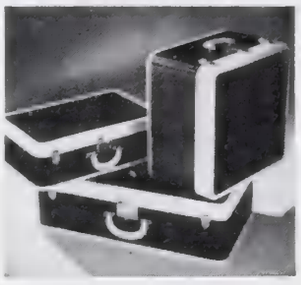
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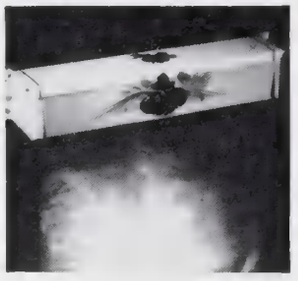
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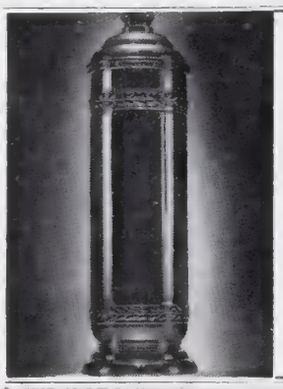


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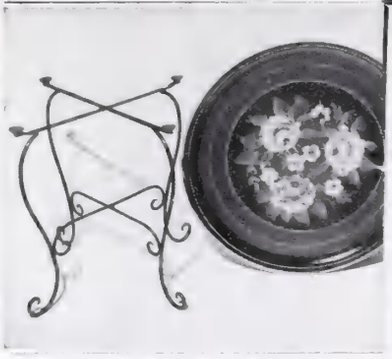
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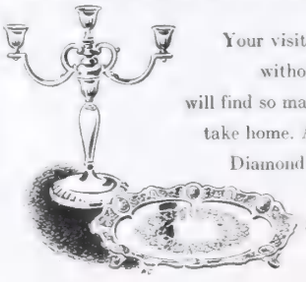
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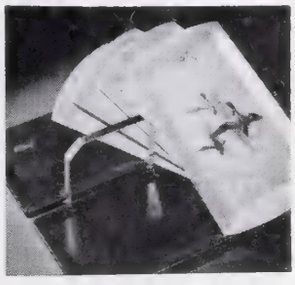
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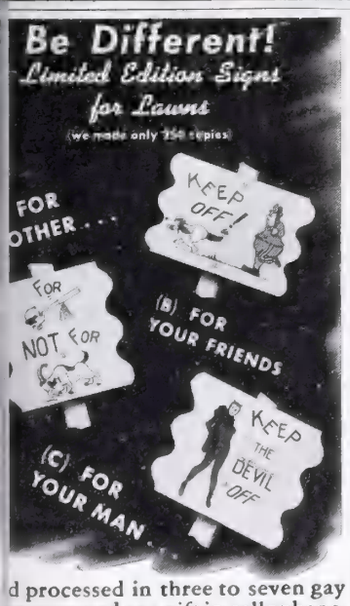


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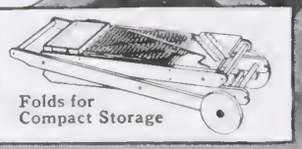
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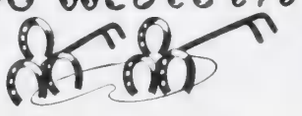
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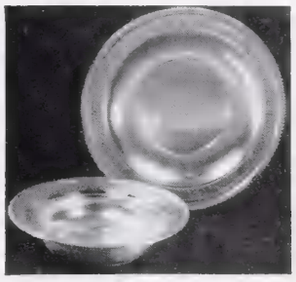
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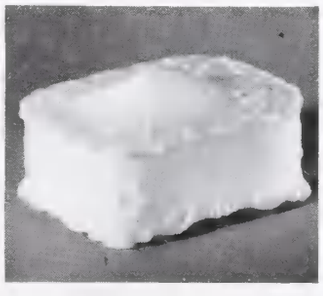
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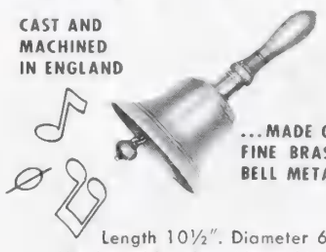
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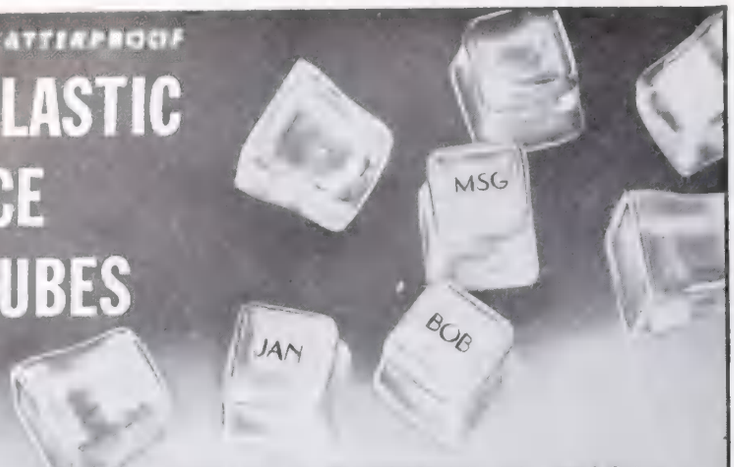
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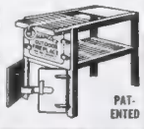
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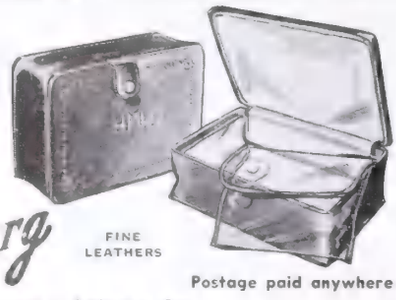
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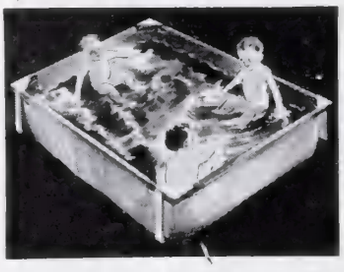


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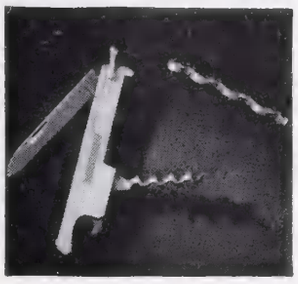
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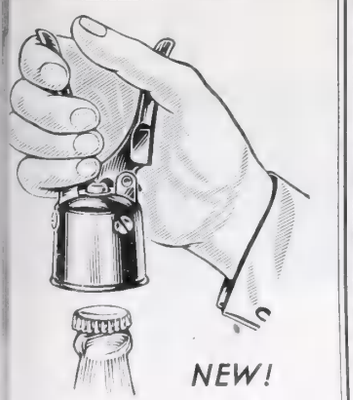
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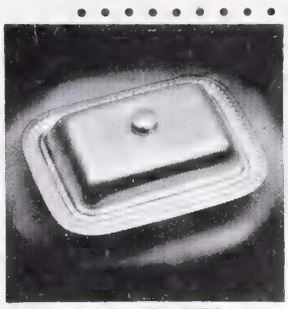
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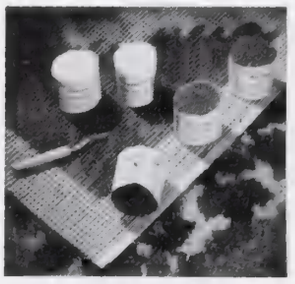
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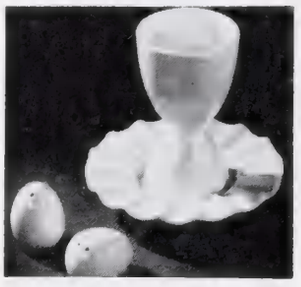
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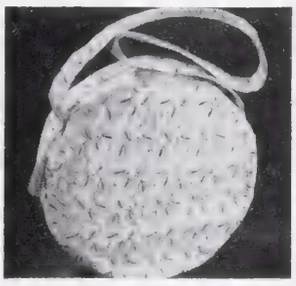
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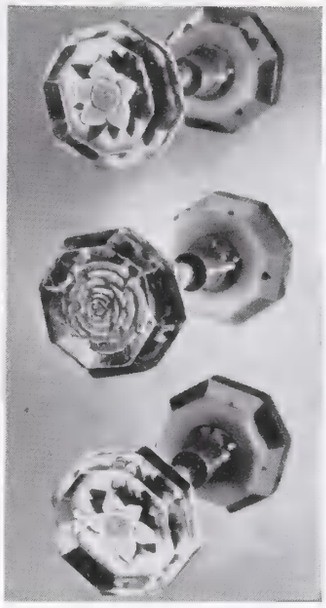
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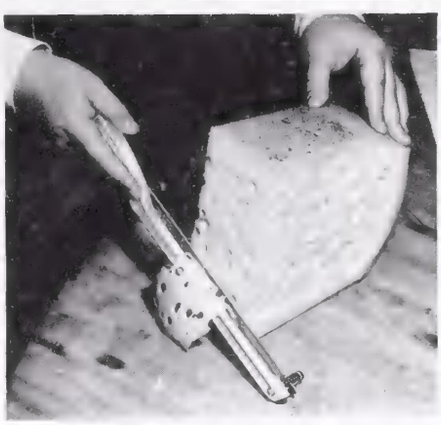
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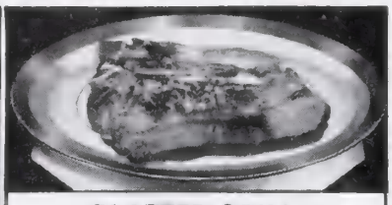
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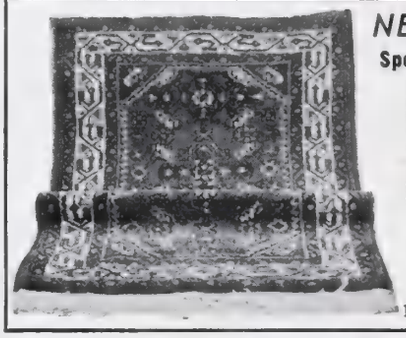
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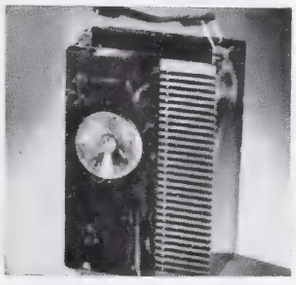
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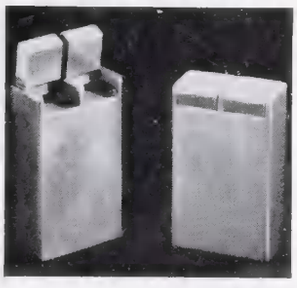
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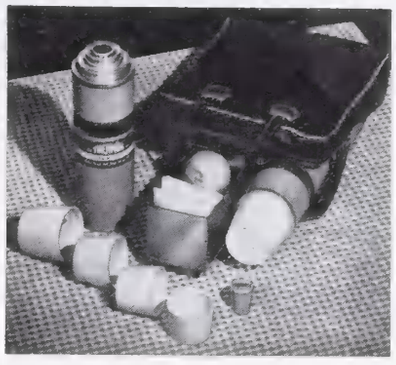
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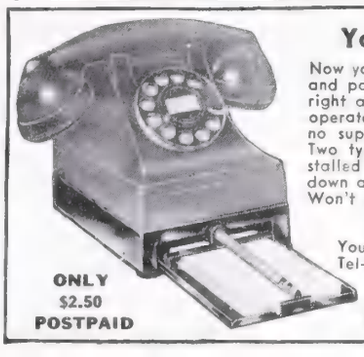
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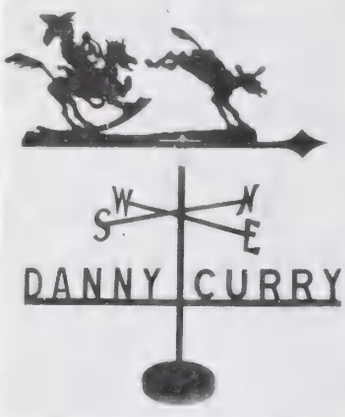


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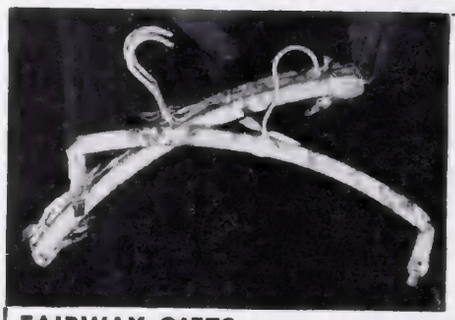


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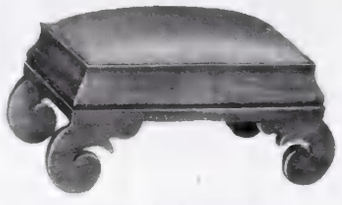
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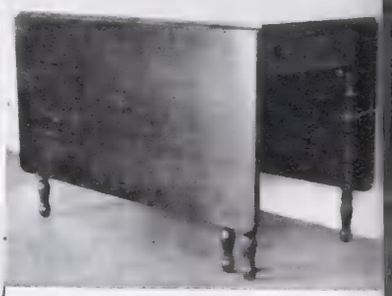
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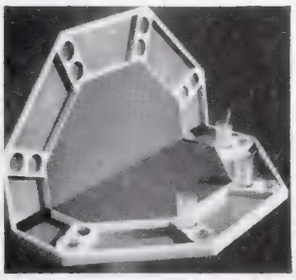
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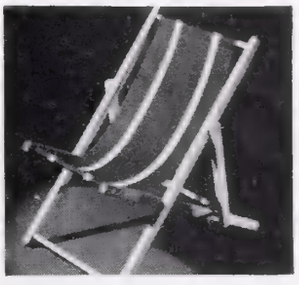
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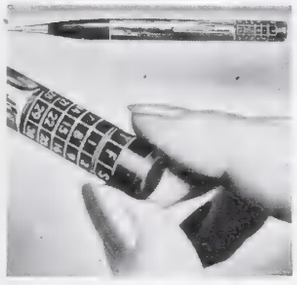
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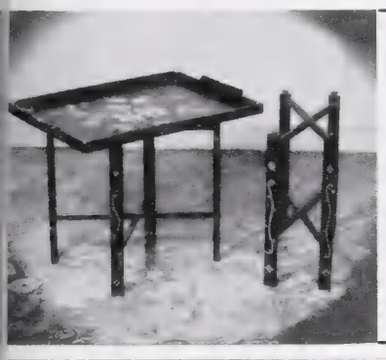


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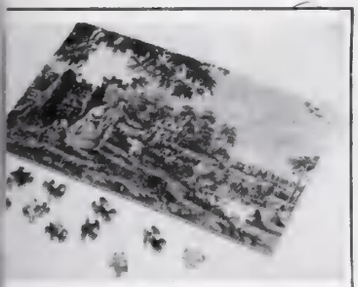


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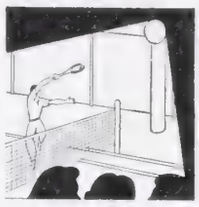
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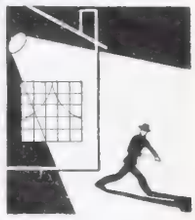


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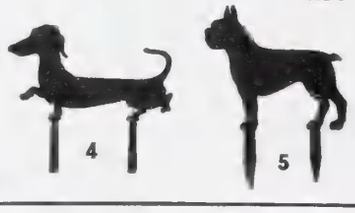
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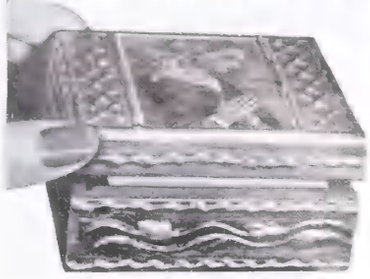
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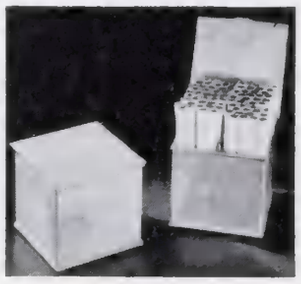
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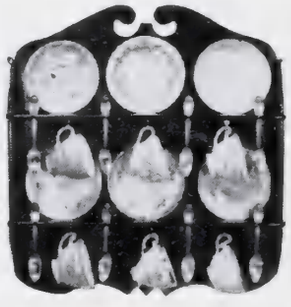
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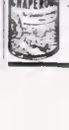


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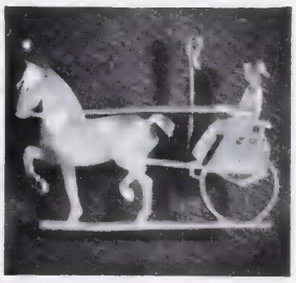
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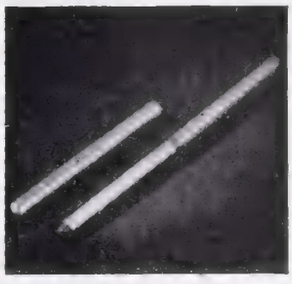
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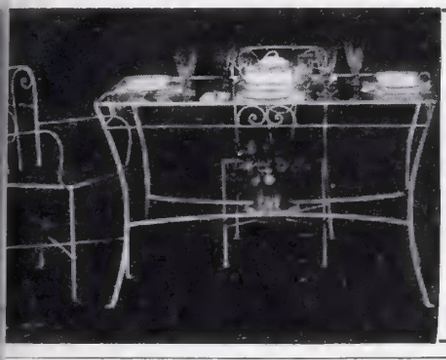


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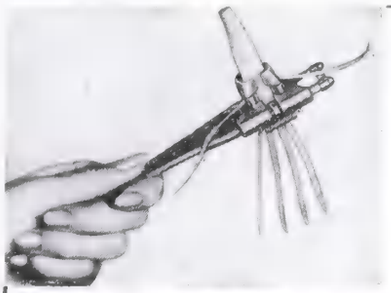


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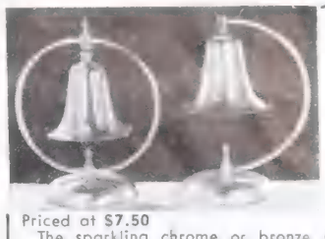
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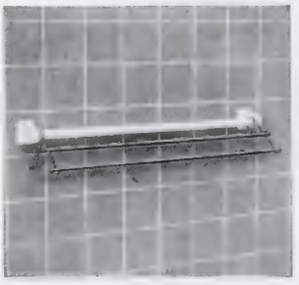
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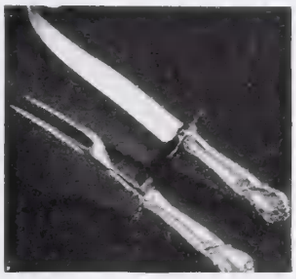
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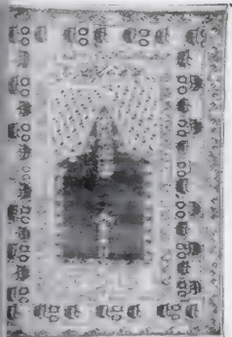


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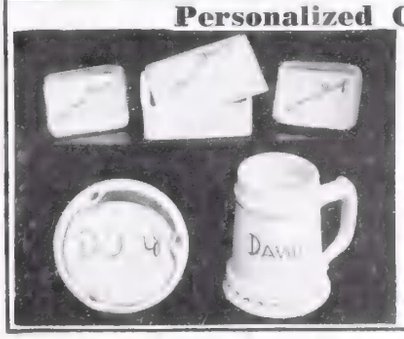
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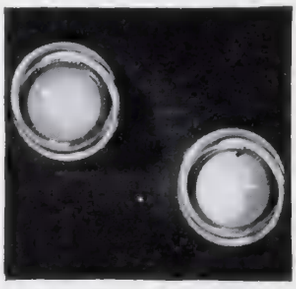
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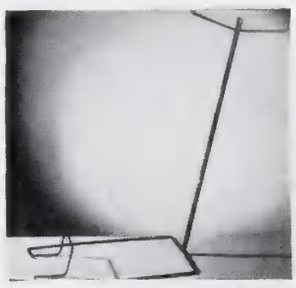
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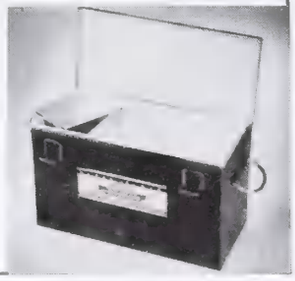
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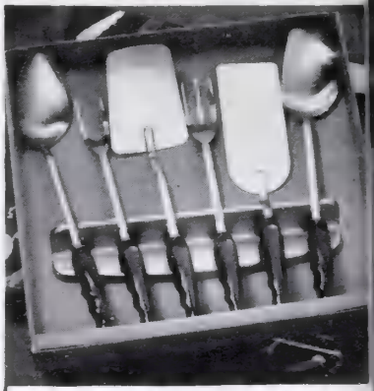
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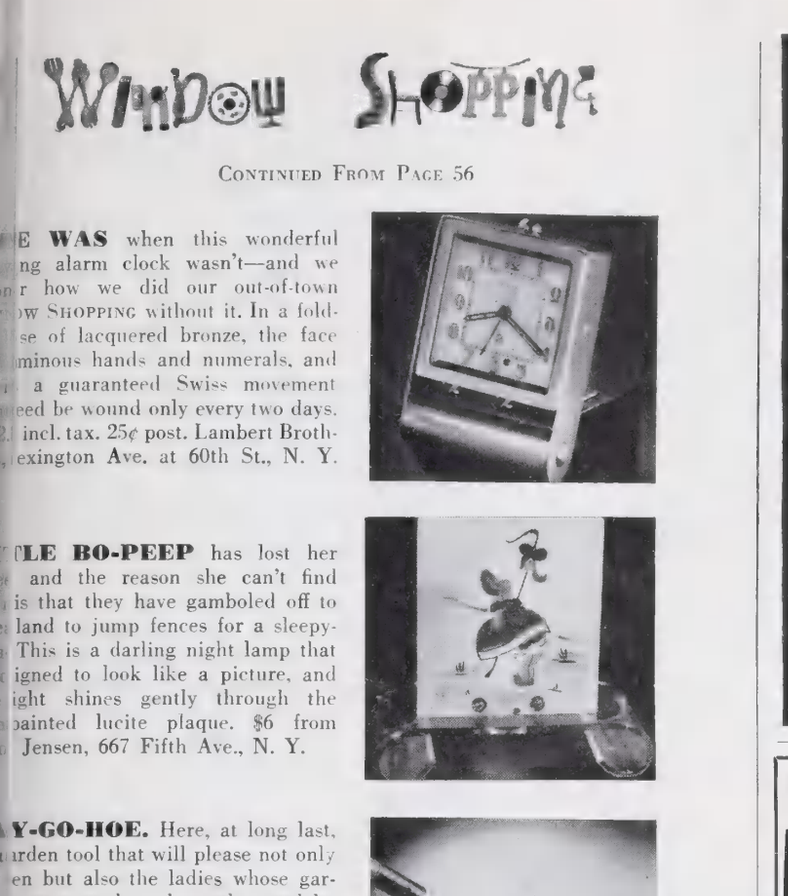
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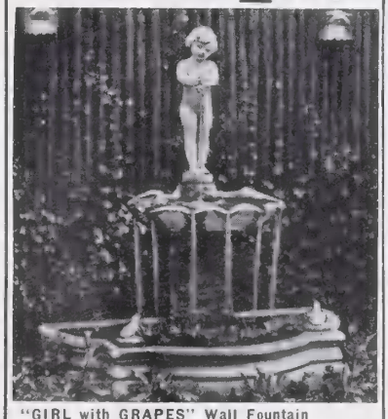
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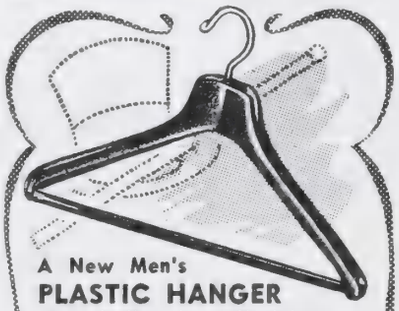


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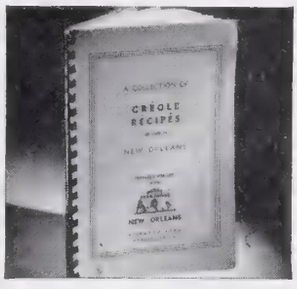
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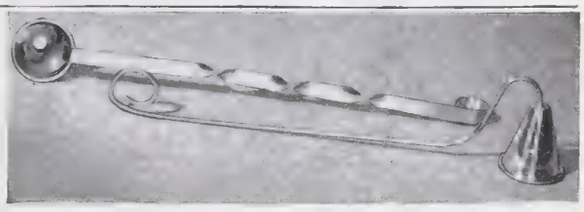
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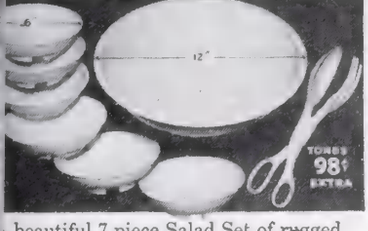


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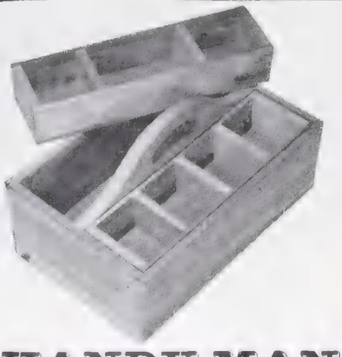
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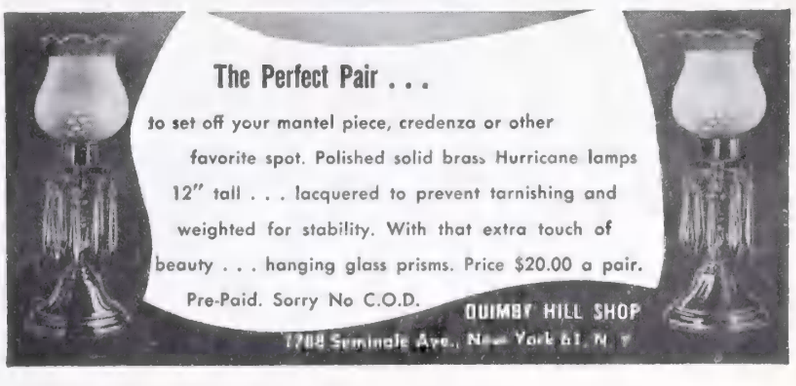
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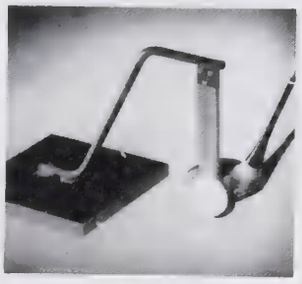
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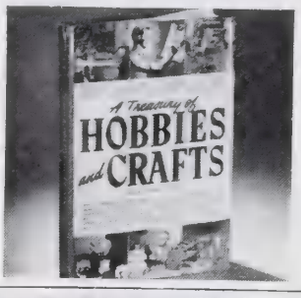
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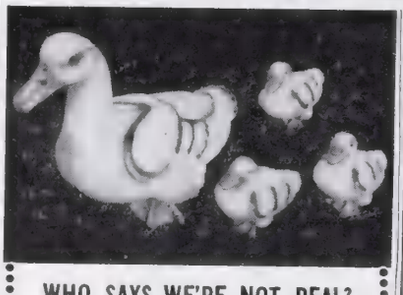
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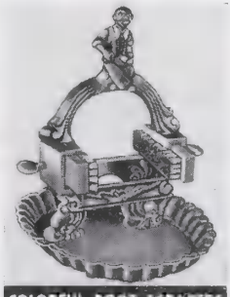
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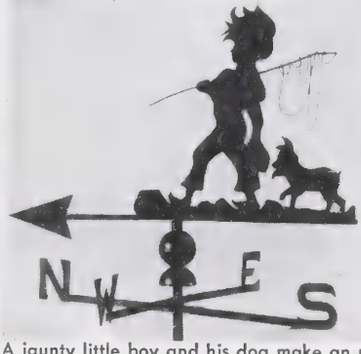
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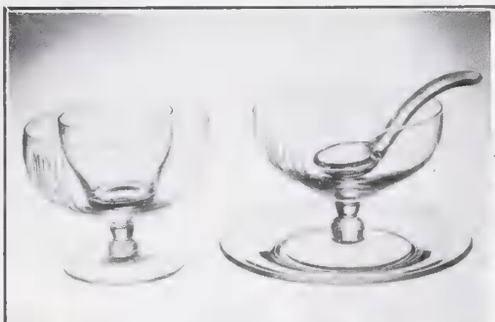
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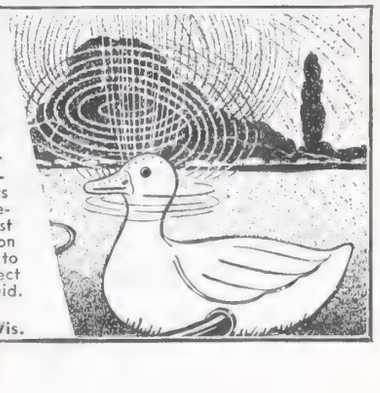
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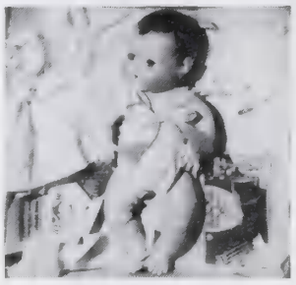
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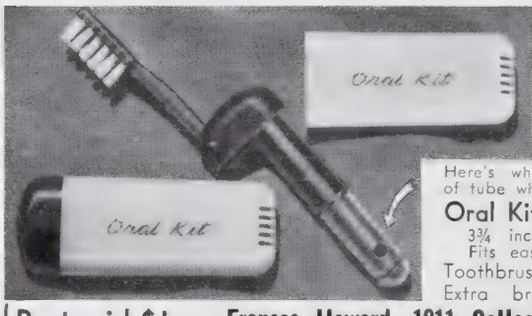
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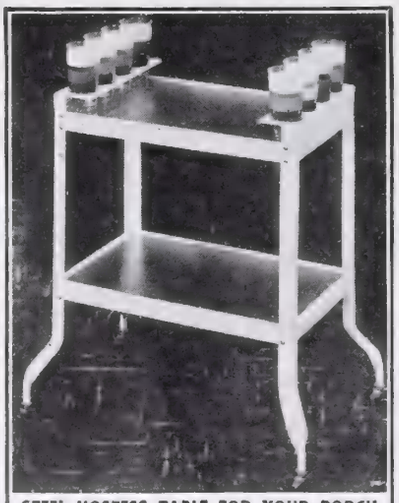


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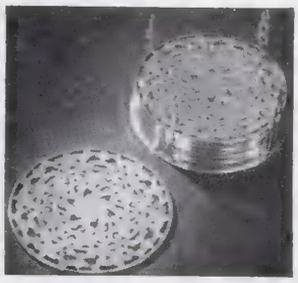
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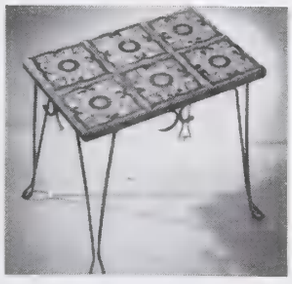
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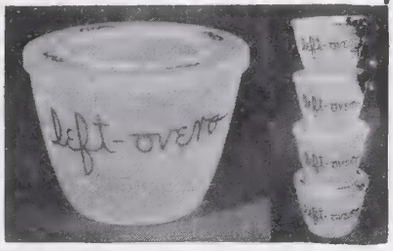
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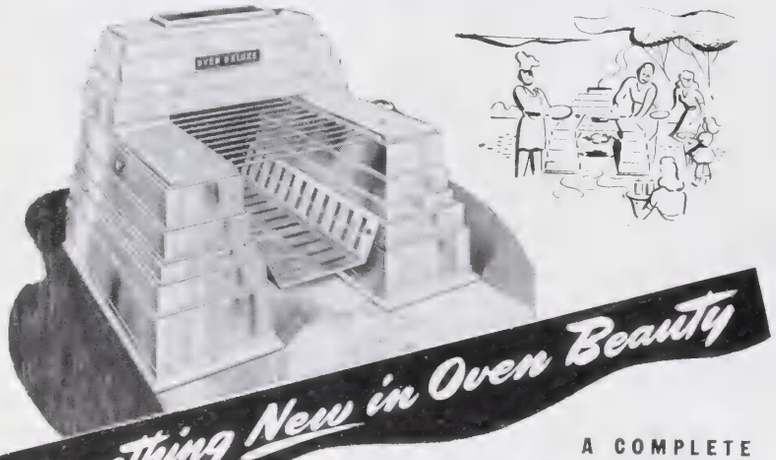
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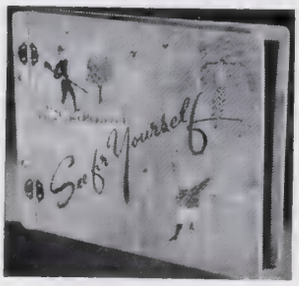
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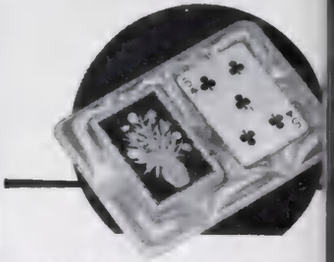
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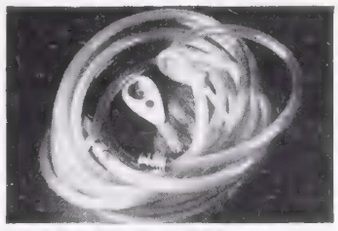
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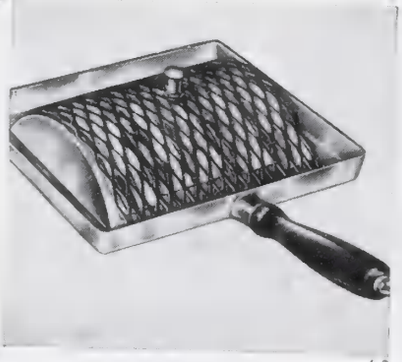
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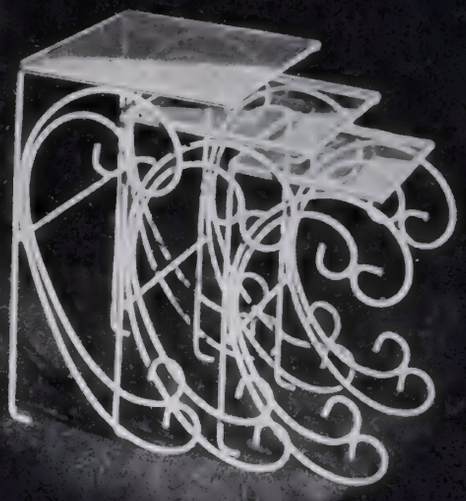


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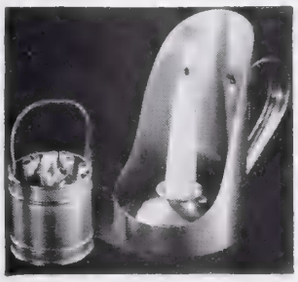
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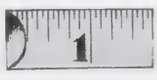


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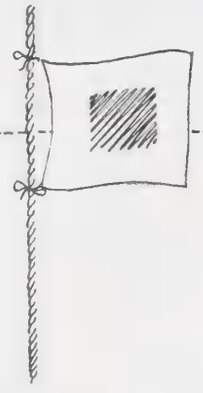
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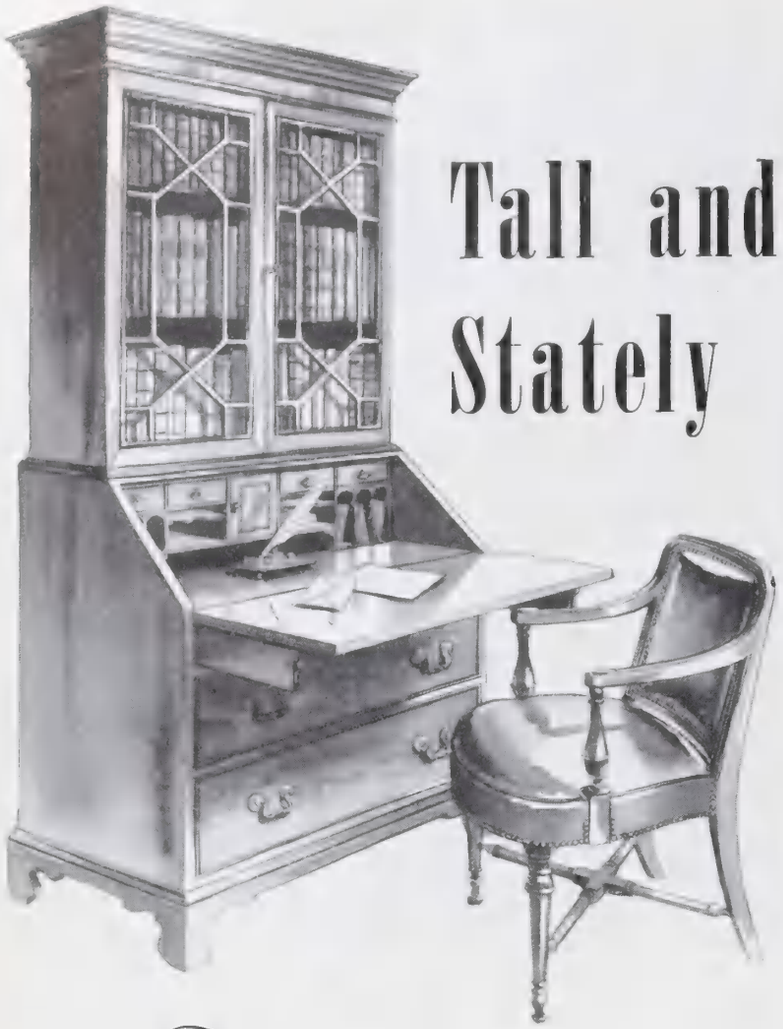
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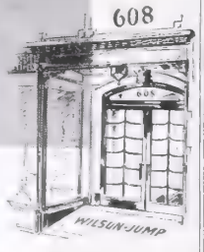


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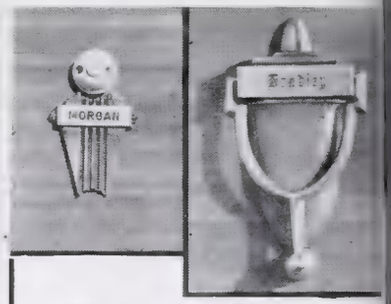




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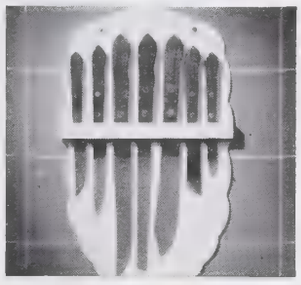
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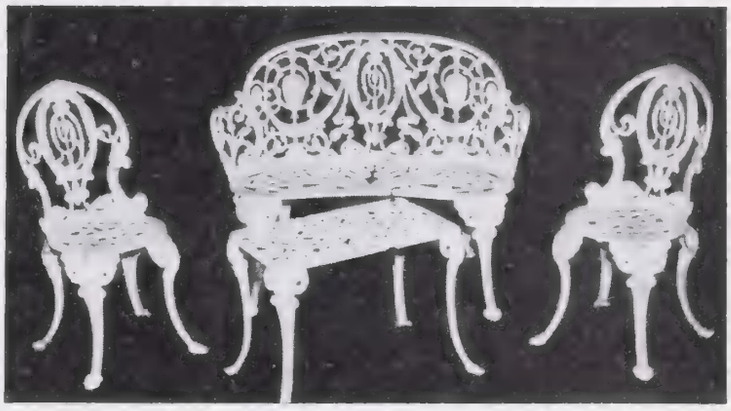
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How To Leave Home *and* LIKE IT

by Harry Price

"Women," says Mr. A. A. Gardiner, general passenger traffic manager of the Canadian National Railways (women, he states), "are better train travelers than men."

He explains that according to a silent survey conducted by the system it is safe to say that women see more when traveling, appreciate the courtesies of train employees, and find less to complain about.

That's all he has to say about women travelers, and he doesn't go into further explanations. Mr. Gardiner's remarks concerned the announcement of the opening on June 15 (through September 15) of Jasper Park Lodge in the Canadian Rockies.

Other Resort Dates

Other opening dates and seasons announced by Mr. Gardiner include Minaki Lodge (Lake O' the Woods, Ontario) June 20 to September 1; Pictou Lodge, Nova Scotia, June 28 to September 2; Maligne Lake Chalet, Medicine Lake Chalet and Tonquin Valley Camp (Canadian Rockies) July 1 to August 31; and Shovel Pass Camp in Jasper National Park, July 10 to August 31.

For the devotee of Canada in summer the following list of summer events and dates will be helpful:

Alberta—Horse races, Calgary, May 24-28; Exhibition and Stampede, Calgary, July 8-13; Exhibition and Horse races, Edmonton, July 15-20; Canadian Amateur Golf Championship, Edmonton, August 5-10; 17th Annual Totem Pole Golf Meet, Jasper Park Lodge, September 1-17.

British Columbia—Theatre under the Stars, Stanley Park, June 27, August 10; Vancouver Golden Jubilee, Vancouver, July 1-14; Cherry Carnival, Chilliwack, July 1.

Manitoba—Horse races, Winnipeg, June 15-July 1 and August 31-September 16; Summer Fair, Brandon, July 1-5; $12,500 Open Golf Championships, Winnipeg, August 8-11.

Nova Scotia—Apple Blossom Festival, Kentville, 1st week of June; Highland Games, Antigonish, July 17; 8th Annual Gaelic Mod and Highland gathering, St. Ann's Gaelic College, July 25-26; International Tuna Tournament, Wedgeport, August.

Ontario—Canadian Lawn Tennis Championships, Hamilton, June 28-July 7; Canadian Henley Sculling, St. Catherines, July 25-27; Centenary Celebrations, Kingston, August 4-10; Exhibition, Belleville, Sept. 23-25.

Quebec—Kiwanis Horse Show, Montreal, June 27-30; Canadian Open Golf Championships, Beaconsfield Club, Pointe Claire, June 27-30; Grand Opera by Starlight, Molson's Stadium, Montreal, week of July 8; Bastille Day, Band Festival, Montreal, July 14.

Saskatchewan—Summer Fair and Horse Races, Saskatoon, July 22-27; Summer Fair and Horse Races, Regina, July 29-August 3.

Things to Remember

Assuming that Canada is on your vacation list, remember that certain foods are rationed. If you intend to remain seven days or longer you'll be able to obtain temporary ration cards at border points and local ration boards in the district to which you are going.

Ration cards are not needed if you intend to stay at a summer hotel or boarding house regardless of how long you are there.

Be sure to take along with you some kind of identification papers—valid or expired passport, baptismal certificate, driver's license or something of the like. It will facilitate matters at the border.

Bird's Eye View of Canada

To help you to choose the locality in which you'd like to enjoy yourself in Canada, thumbnail impressions of the vast Dominion might read as follows:

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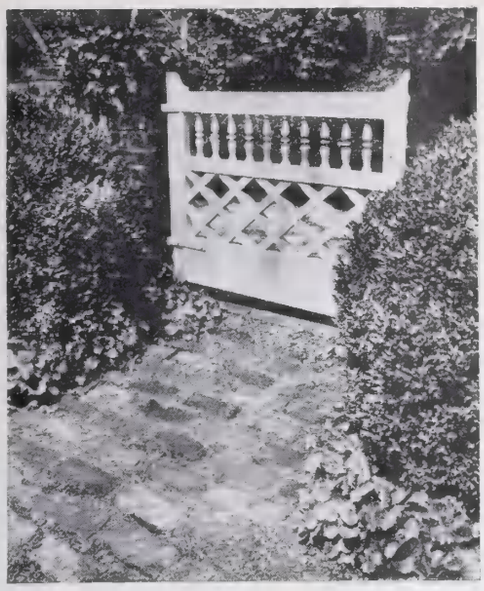
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By JULIE POLSHEK



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Here's a neat space-mak swer to easy-to-see, easy- "filling" of spices and con on cupboard doors or wh will. Racks are handy, too, f oddiments in bathroom, c or linen closet. The "lattic of the 3-inch-high, full-bac holds contents firmly with scuring labels. These 1 aluminum Dor-File Racks in a jiffy. About 80¢ each, Frank, Portland, Oregon.



This modern cast-aluminum replica of the traditional Swedish "plett pan" is welcome news to devotees of those delicious little paper-thin Swedish pancakes. You get the recipe, too. They're no trick to make—or flip—with this pan, which provides seven even-heating, 3-inch pancake "wells." All seven bake simultaneously to a perfect turn to keep you easily abreast of the demand. Under $4, Marshall Field's, Chicago, Ill.

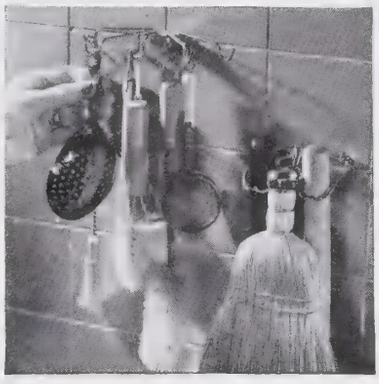


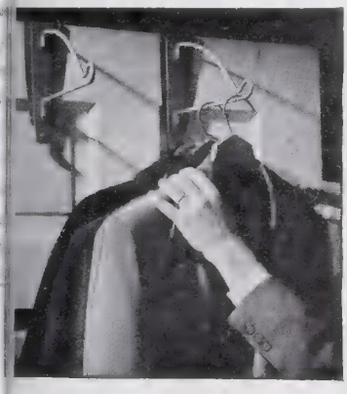
Brewing perfect coffee is only virtue of this glass Aluminum Vacuum Coffee When the coffee has been c to crystal-clearness by the c filter stem, the black plastic bowl cover takes over as a for the ground-filled bow serving, there's a decanter for the lower 8-cup bowl. bowls have hand-size openin easy washing. Under $4, con at Jordan-Marsh, Boston, M



Making rolled or ribbon party sandwiches is easy with this Gustafson Smorgasbord Knife to slice bread paper thin. You can adjust its razor-keen, saw-edge, stainless steel blade (it's hollow-ground for lasting sharpness) to any thickness from ⅝-inch down to ⅛-inch for neat, fast slicing of cheese, boneless meats, and cake, too. The curved-end plastic knife guide is easy to hold. About $2, Gimbels, New York City.

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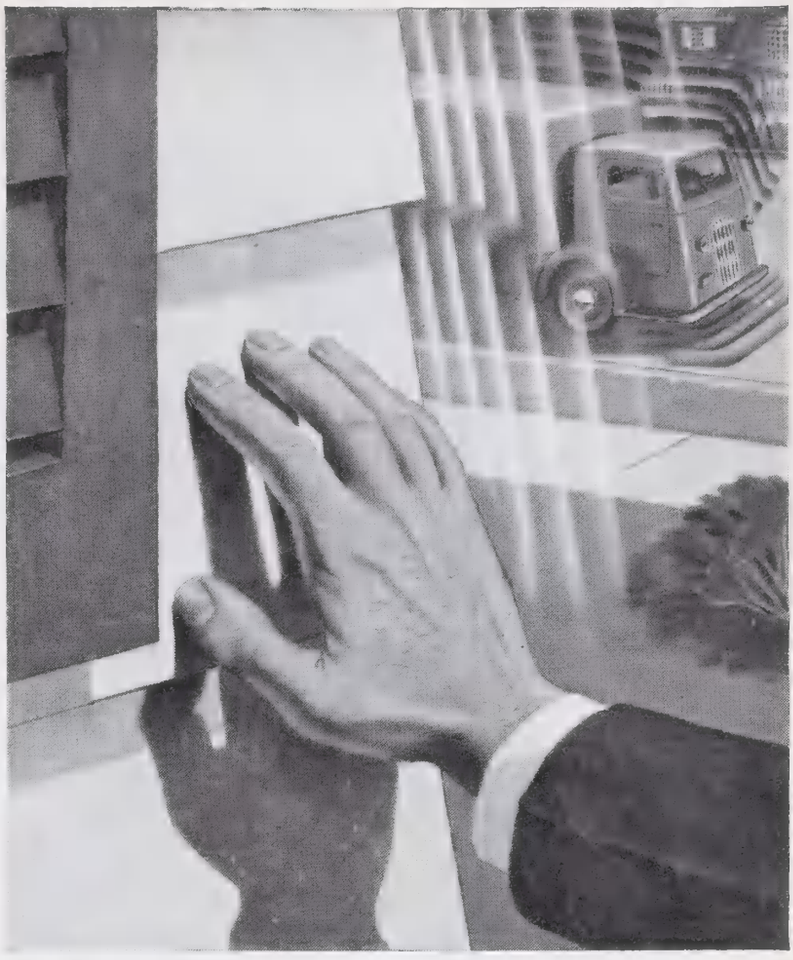
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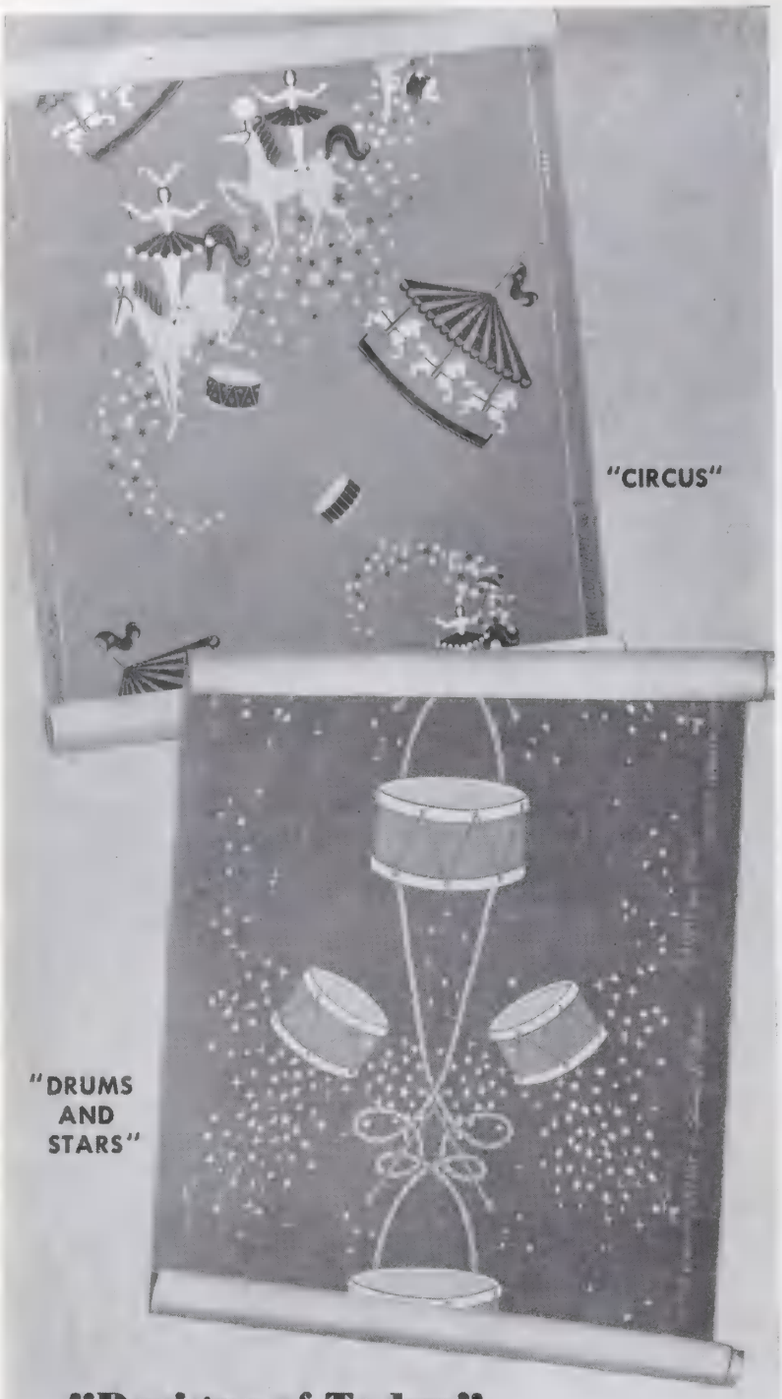
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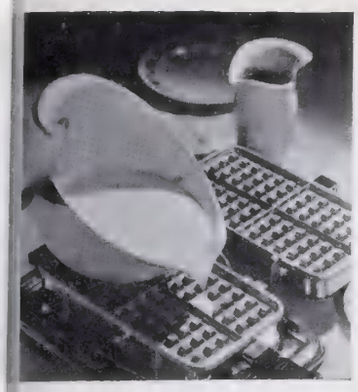
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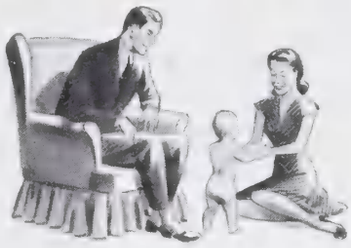
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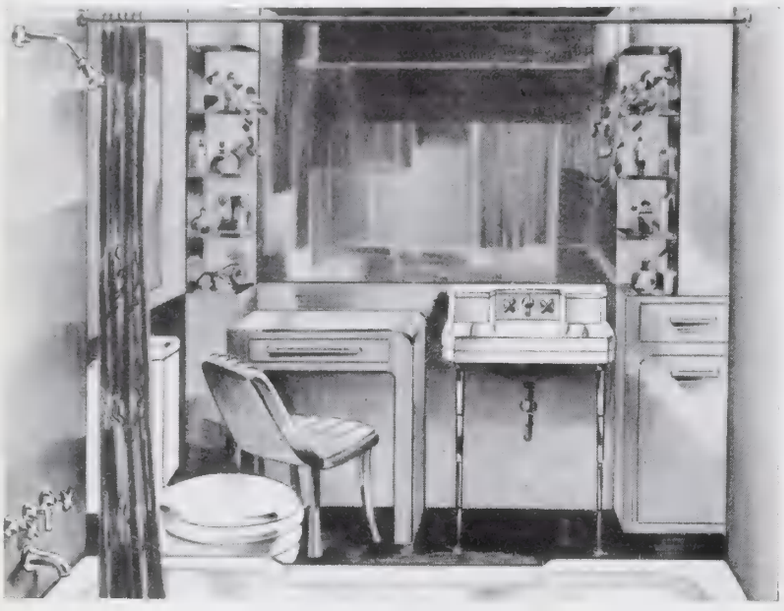
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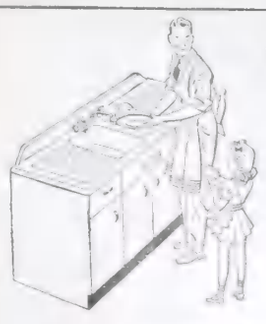




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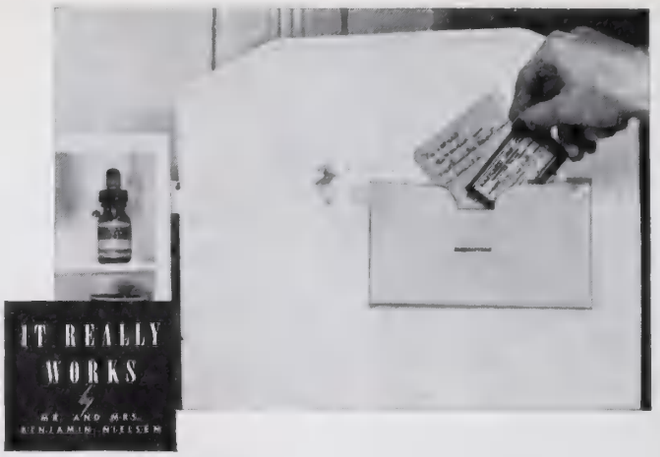
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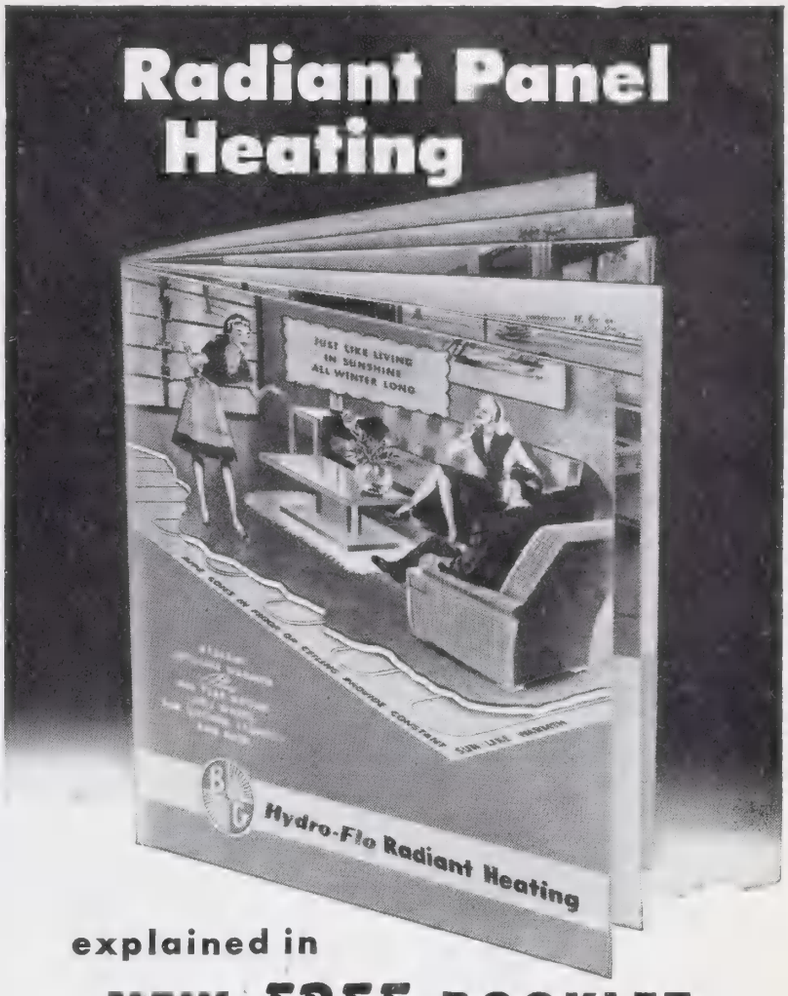
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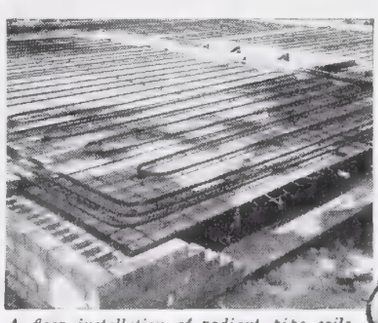
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The New Trend To Usefulness

by Elizabeth Gordon, Editor

● Beauty and practicality are the twin aims of all of us when we spend money on our homes. But, unfortunately, beauty and practicality do not invariably go hand in hand—even though they could. Handsome unlivability—or unusability, for it is the same thing—has been evident in American homes for some decades past, because we have been going through a period of style-education and style-consciousness. And so naturally, since we have tended to be more critical of the looks of our possessions than of their usefulness, appearance has been king.

To insist on loveliness is fine. But, in this day, to concentrate on loveliness to the exclusion of utility is ironic. Because industry has never been so well prepared technically to give us better performance. And—most important—never have science and engineering been so magnificently equipped to make good appearance and usefulness indivisible.

This cannot help but change our concepts of home furnishings.

HOUSE BEAUTIFUL sees a new trend being born—a trend to marry usefulness and beauty. We discern a definite tendency on the part of designers and manufacturers, to endow articles we use for good living with greater usability and a sharper realism about what they are supposed to do for us. This trend has nothing to do with the argument between Modern and Traditional styling, for it is occurring simultaneously in both Modern and Traditional styles.

The next 35 pages show you This New Usefulness →



by Laura Tanner

The new OUTDOOR FURNITURE is more REALISTIC

Outdoor furniture, pretty as a picture in the garden, has not always been a satisfying possession. The upkeep, the deleterious effect of weather and winter storage were some of the needling worries of ownership which the new outdoor furniture cancels with better performance and a more realistic utility.

Part of this utility is new handling of old material. Weight has been taken out of metal, leaving strength. The entwined fern and grape leaves of old wrought iron are cast today in a new mold at a third the weight because the medium is aluminum.

The emphasis is ever on metal. Treated wrought iron can be guaranteed against rust for years. Rust-free aluminum appears as a casting or in tubular form. It glistens under chrome plate. It is anodized for greater insurance against deterioration. Lacquered tubular steel is another favorite. Metals, schooled in the war, will now perform with tested reliability.

If gardens require lots of furniture, but the space for winter storage is miniscule, knocked-down furniture is one answer, for it is shipped in compact cartons which may be used for storing it when summer is done. There are other chairs which are styled to nest in convenient groups of four.

New upholstery stands up to weather. Sailcloth is more water repellent, virtually mildew-proof. Some cushions are plastic-coated. Other models eliminate cushions altogether, rely on quick-drying nylon for woven seats and backs. Yarding cord, dependable for gib lines on sailboats, winds the tubular steel frames of modern chairs, makes seats and back impervious to drenching, is washable, renewable, easily replaceable after long usage.

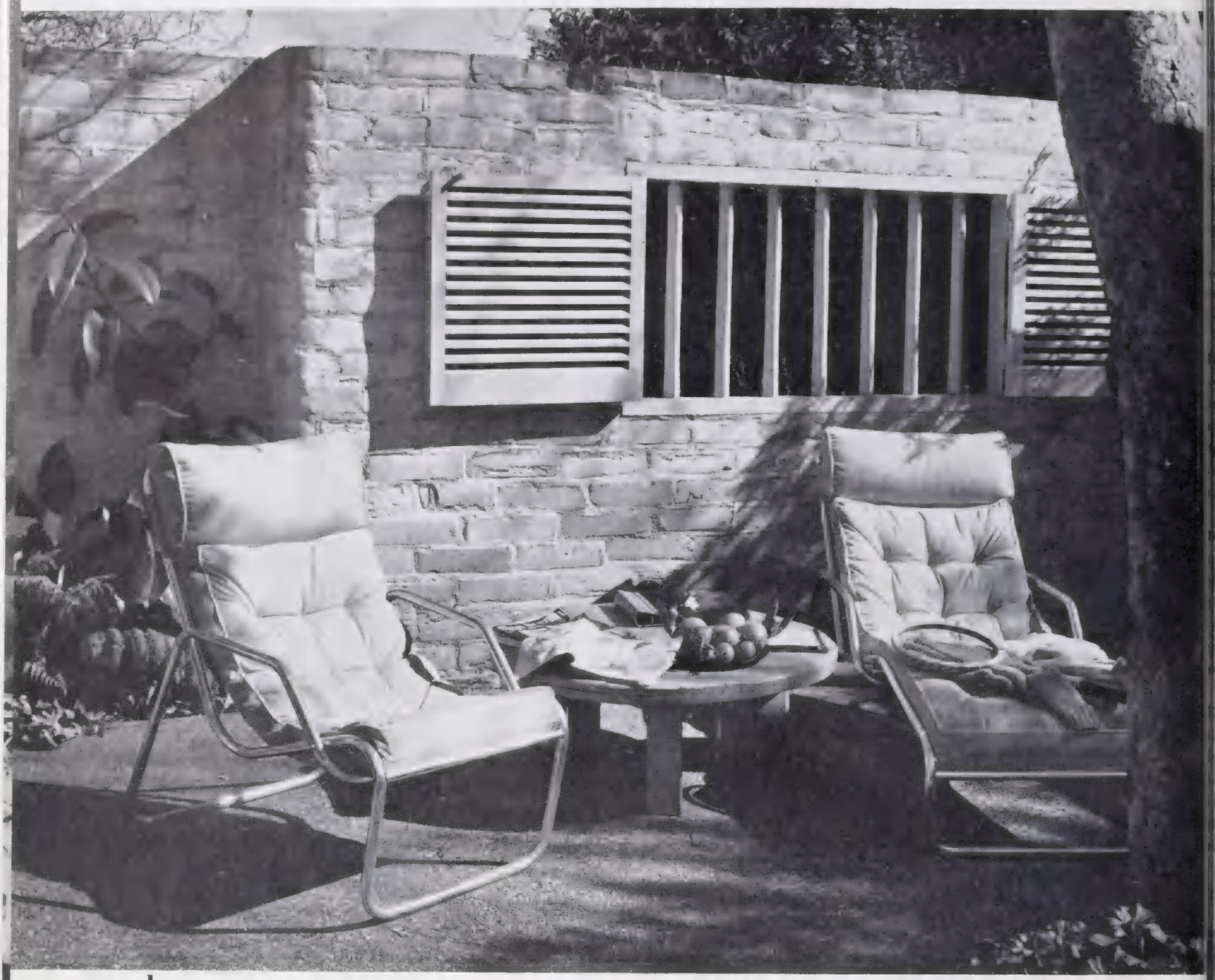
Fast color on frames is guaranteed by new finishing methods. Lacquers are hard, chip-proof. White need never be rust-smeared. Some aluminum is not painted at all, but is left to tarnish naturally to a mellow silver tone.

Greater simplicity of construction, cleaner design, ingenious models with bar bases which are kinder to lawns than spindly legs, less weight in handling, good planning for storage, less upkeep—these are the new useful realities of today's outdoor furniture.

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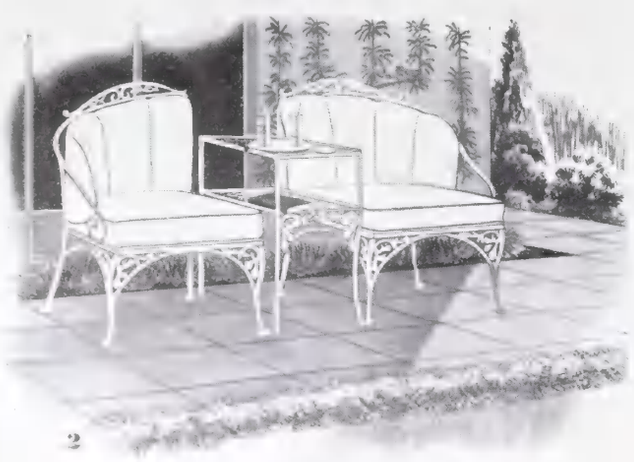
raceful wrought iron, synonymous with elegance in garden furniture, used to pose an upkeep problem, demanding annual painting o combat rust. Now it behaves in the outdoors as handsomely as it ooks. Wrought iron in the tables and chairs, opposite, from Saltrini, has been treated to resist rust for at least six years. Plate lass table tops are easily cleaned and impervious to weather. hown in the patio of the Paul Trousdales at Palm Springs, Calif.

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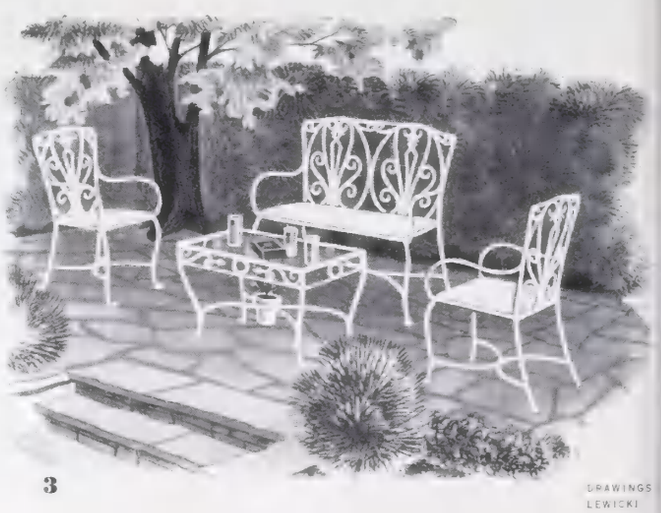


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DRAWINGS LEWICKI

Stripped of non-essentials, the tubular chrome-plated minum chairs, opposite, are so light they fairly t out of your hands. Bar base sets level, does not up the sod. The comfortable, plump cushions can be oved easily by pulling out the metal rod that holds m secure to the frames. Shown in an inner garden at Cliff Mays in Los Angeles. By the Reynolds Metal Co.

Typical example of extra usefulness is the design these wrought-iron chairs which can double as a ll sofa. Metal is baked in infra-red oven to produce ard, durable finish with a non-porous, moisture-free face. Snug fitting glass table top construction pre- ts crumb collecting. Rubber-encased steel glides on furniture overcome rattle. By Lee L. Woodard Sons.

The furniture, sketched at lower right opposite page. been designed for lightness. Its claims for real lity and performance include seats that are covered plastic-coated fabric, that are moisture- and mar-proof, t remove easily for soap and water scrubbing. Such niture needs only to be installed in a garden, needs hing to sustain it but admiration. By LuJo Craft.

On the right, the gardens of the Maurice Rosenfelds Mt. Kisco, N. Y. are frosted with lacy, ornamental niture which reflects the charm of its French wrought n forebears. Romantic and inviting against a backdrop greenery, this furniture is practical for having been t in aluminum alloy which lessens by a third the ight of its prototypes. By the Virginia Foundry Co.

6. These chairs live perfectly out of doors. Bright l shining chrome-plated aluminum frames are forti- l with seats and backs plaited in colorful bands enduring nylon. The plus values of no upkeep, feather- htness, the smooth bar bases for grass protection, snug way of nesting in fours for efficient storing l up to a useful total. By Troy Sunshade Company.

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MAN GREENE



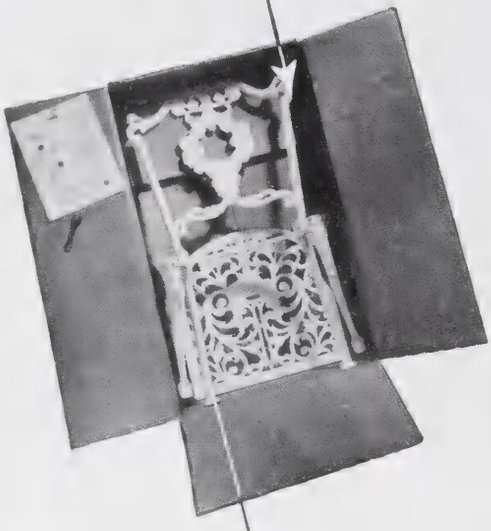


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Shown above in the gazebo of William J. Saylor, Beverly Hills, Calif., is cast aluminum furniture, elegant in classic manner of old wrought iron, but reduced in weight. Sold knocked-down, each piece is packed separately with instructions and wrench for assembly. The simplicity of construction makes it a breeze for the most unmechanical to set it up with minimum of effort.

Besides making the furniture, above, rust-proof and chip-proof, Molla, Inc. has realistically faced the fact that gardens are bigger than storerooms, and that where to put summer furniture in winter may be a problem. Knock-down feature saves four-fifths space used by set-up type. Furniture and cushions all store compactly in the original shipping cartons, shown left.



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The low-slung, modern furniture of Van Kepple-Green is suited to year-round use under California skies and summer use anywhere. Tubular steel has been given a du Pont undercoat to insure against paint failure, making the final lacquer impervious to the elements. The bright frames are wound in white yarding cord, tough enough for lounging through many a long summer.

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BOTH *Beautiful* AND *Practical*

BY FRANCES T. HEARD

On the next ten pages HOUSE BEAUTIFUL shows you the new co-ordinated furnishing ensemble known as "California Manor." It is symptomatic of the trend to make household possessions practical and realistic at the same time that they are beautiful. You will note, as you turn these pages, that pieces of furniture perform more duties than older furniture. Above everything else, you will note how all the parts of the "package" or ensemble have been designed to mix or match, to assemble or re-assemble with matching or contrasting parts of the "package."

All of this means ease in shopping and a saving of wear and tear on you when you try to put together a room or a whole house. For the greatest hurdle in successful decorating is finding the things that "go together." With "California Manor" everything has been designed to go together, so this hurdle is non-existent. Nineteen manufacturers and handcraftsmen have banded together to create 68 pieces of furniture, 40 fabrics, 6 types of floor covering, 15 lamps in 2 colors, pottery, china, glass, table linens, accessories, and even outdoor furniture and crystal that can live happily together.

You could furnish a home in a formal or informal manner, for "California Manor" ranges from handmade rag rugs and pottery to deep-pile hand-carved carpeting, fine translucent china, and sheer crystal stemware. Emphasis throughout the ensemble is on handcrafted merchandise, so a few parts of the "package" are obtainable only on special order from the participating stores who carry full samples, of course, from which you may select.

For the first time in several years you can match your china or pottery to the fabric that curtains your windows or upholsters your chairs. You can even repeat your china pattern on the lamp bases, or on the centerpiece that holds flowers. In fact, there are three motifs in the program that are carried out in fabrics, lamp bases, ash trays, jewel boxes, and plant holders and, in some cases, brass pulls.

The program uses 14 colors. Even ready-mixed paints are available in these 14 colors, making it possible for you to paint your walls and woodwork to match any one of the furnishings, without wringing your hands over a painter's shoulder while he mixes 20 bad tries before he gets a good one.

Besides all these practical considerations, the designing of the over-all ensemble has a freshness and vitality which make it a welcome newcomer to the (*Text continued on page* 196. *More pictures on following 8 pages*)

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Living room in the California home of Robert Dorr, Jr., who designed and used, himself, "California Manor" furnishings. He designed his house and furnishings around a big coffee table, made it the high spot of the room.

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Note how the graceful frond pattern of the drapery fabric is repeated on the dishes and lamp base. Notice also how drapery color matches color of upholstery and ground color of the lamp; how the ceramic inlay in the dining table matches that on the front of the chests. Ceramic pulls and inlays, right, provide colorful variations in furniture trim. Photographed at W. & J. Sloane, Beverly Hills, California.





A formal dining room (in contrast to the informal one on opposite page), showing how the pattern on drapery fabric is repeated on pulls of the chest, the lamp base, the fine china, and the flower container. The glassware and hand-woven mats "go with" the rest without matching. Note unusual combination of purple grape and mountain blue. Photographed at W. & J. Sloane, Beverly Hills. Handmade sterling, Allan Adler.



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Desk has broader than average surface, ample knee space.



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A removable headboard can slide into this wing back bed.

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A classically simple molding is only ornament of desk front.

BOTH *Beautiful* AND *Practical*



Bedroom (upper right) uses furniture which is completely unbedroomy in looks, and would be useful in a study or a secondary living room. Generously scaled chest can be ordered with various interior fittings.



Cabinets (middle picture) contain desirable shallow trays for silver and linen, but could also be used advantageously for holding apparel. Fitted with either brass or ceramic door pulls. Robert Dorr, Jr. home.

Another version of the informal dining room, photographed at Barker Bros. (lower right), showing a scheme in the eucalyptus pattern, coordinating draperies, china, and lamp base. Note extendable table leaf.



Manufacturers and Craftsmen Participating in "California Manor"

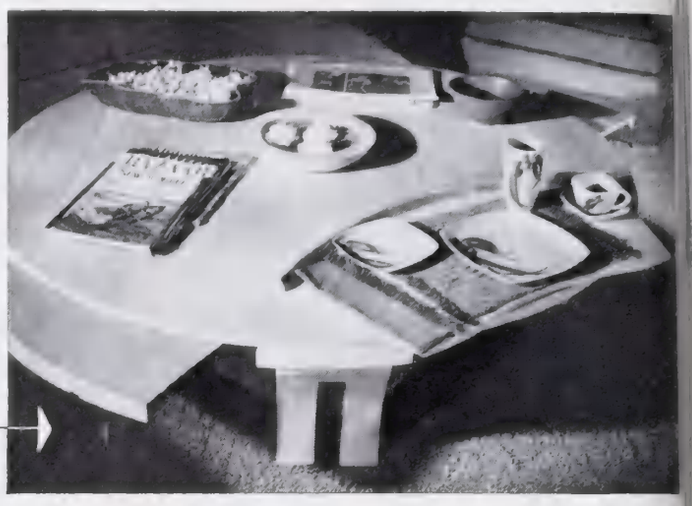
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For the list of stores throughout the country carrying "California Manor" turn to page 156

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The double-function coffee table shown above is typical of the new trend to increased usefulness. Such a huge table is, by itself, a useful piece. But under its serviceable top is concealed additional usefulness—four lap trays for informal suppers.



Above, right, you see how the trays, that seem to be part of the outer molding and trim, slide out and are removable. In California, as in many other places, it is the custom to sit around the table and eat by the fire. A table like this is almost an essential.

More Useful

IS WHAT WE MEAN WHEN WE SAY IT'S BOTH BEAUTIFUL AND PRACTICAL



Much neglected aspect of most dining room furniture is realistic solution for the storing of silver and big tablecloths. This chest has a shallow divided tray for silver, with long rollers beneath for keeping cloths smooth, unmarked by the usual fold creases.





Blessing for a small home or apartment is this coffee table that rises off its knees, so to speak, to become a commodious dining table. To its credit we can say it looks equally well in either of its roles. Above you see it in its part as a coffee table. At left, the locking device for keeping it folded. At lower left, the table is partially raised. Lower right, the table is completely raised and set for dinner. Such a table has many uses other than dining—for buffets, for games, for study and research whenever many books and papers are needed.

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You can achieve a custom-made look when everything is designed to go together





How one design motif can be used again and again on different furnishings to give them unity and the look of belonging together. There are 7 fabric patterns used in the "California Manor" ensemble which mix or match in endless variations.

THIS IS Coordinated Designing

AND IT'S BOTH BEAUTIFUL AND PRACTICAL

There has long been co-ordination in clothes designing. Now it is appearing in the design of home furnishings to make your shopping easier and your results more beautiful. "California Manor" shows how useful such a professionally planned program can be

Banded in decorative ceramic strips, well-planned coffee table (right) combines serviceability, tailored lines, good looks. Four feet square, its surface is ample for formal or informal entertaining. Shown at Barker Bros., Los Angeles.



The large crescent desk (center) is ideal in the vast Dorr living room. In addition to being handsome, it is a real work table with copious drawers for added utility. It may be decorated with leather or ceramic inlay. Note ceramic drawer pulls.

The generous scale of "California Manor" furniture is illustrated by the ten-foot sofa and long flap-up coffee table (lower right). Towering brass-base lamps are proportioned to its size. Another view of Robert Dorr's living room at "Sky Harbor."



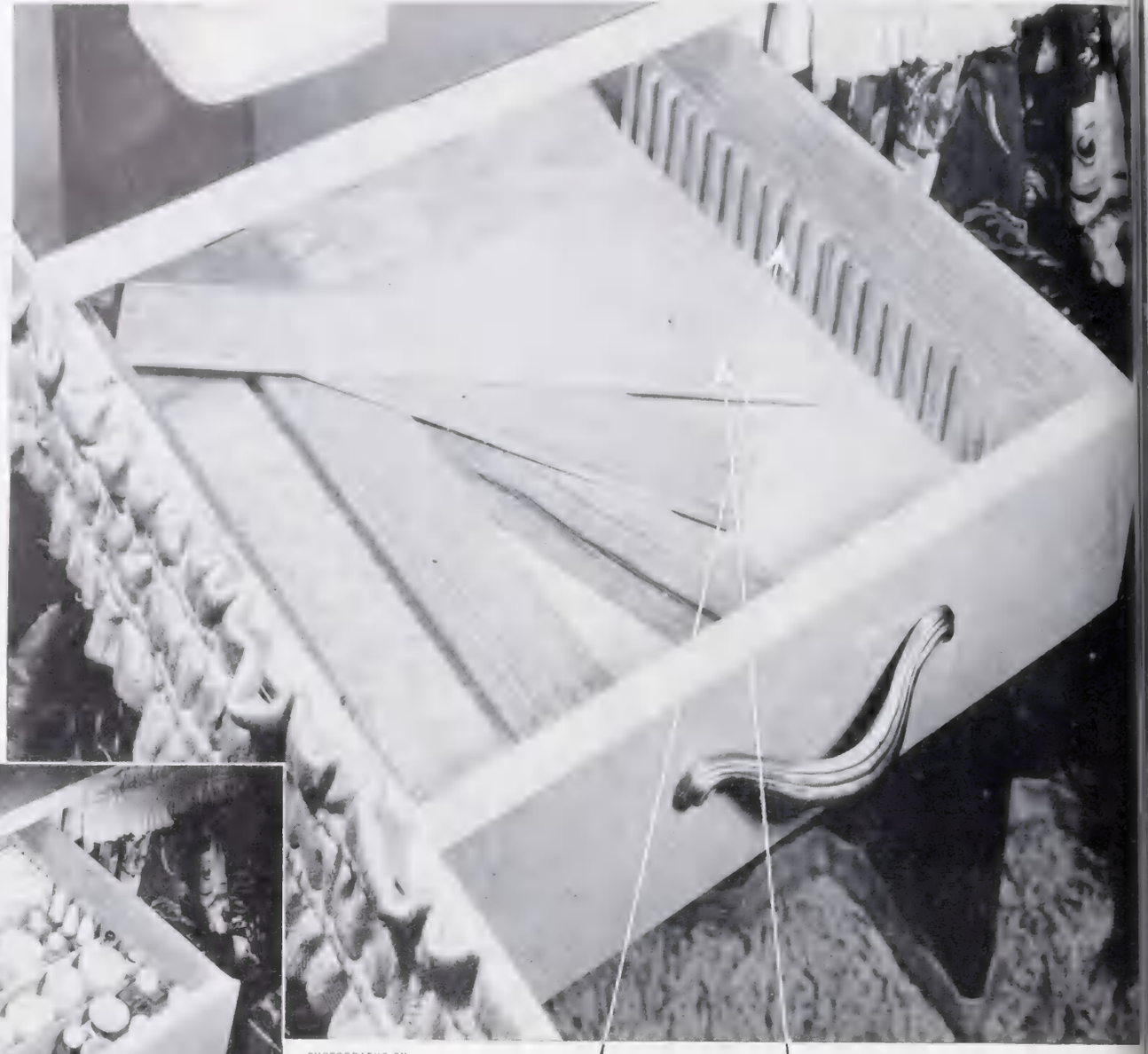
Architecture of "Sky Harbor" was actually planned around the exact furniture the owners wished, and each piece was given its proper setting. In the dining end of the 40-foot living room (below) cowhide versions of officer's camp chairs are used.



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Divisions run vertically in dresser drawer.

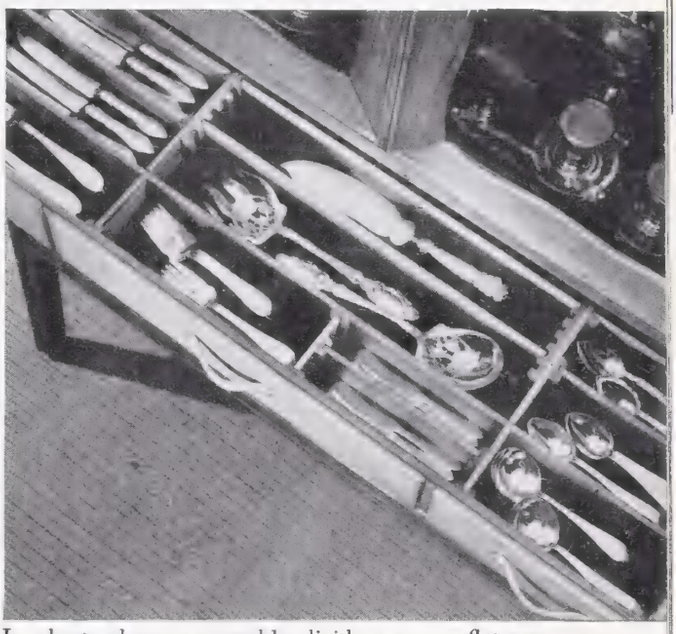
by Sara Little

One of the brightest symptoms of new usefulness—a storage drawer with movable dividers that let you partition space to fit *your* needs

Who hasn't clung to the hope that some day a furniture manufacturer would come up with a segmentalized drawer with partitions that really fit the things to be stored?

For years most manufacturers have rejected the idea as impractical. Factory-made furniture, they said, must be designed for average needs, but who can find the happy medium in the varied sizes, shapes, and quantities of people's possessions? A built-in section large enough to hold Mrs. Brown's handbags might be too small for Mrs. Green's supply of handkerchiefs. They argued, too, that partitions would raise costs prohibitively.

But one persistent manufacturer has conquered the impossible. The drawers shown here *can* be partitioned to fit the size and shape of *any* owner's possessions—and no one has yet fainted at the price. Rey Neville, who designed this furniture for Tomlinson of High Point, uses a system of built-in, closely notched strips applied to the sides *or* to the front and back of drawers. You regulate the size of storage sections simply by dropping movable slats into the notches wherever *you* want them. This is *new* usefulness.



In chest, eleven removable dividers group flatware.



Man's dresser has three dividers and a tray.

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Sweet Cornbread

Crisp Chocolate Meringue

The very first time you invite guests for dinner you'll probably collapse into the nearest comfortable chair after telephoning the last guest. You'll wish that somehow you could shrink in size like Alice in Wonderland, and hide in the deep crevices of the chair until the dinner party is over. You may have heard the experts' glib talk about how much fun entertaining is, but when you think of preparing dinner for six, it sounds like a mountain of work which you'll never be able to scale with your scant experience.

Such feelings are as natural as the cold damp hands and feverishly hot cheeks that accompany the first stumbling efforts at public speaking. They're the growing pains of entertaining. But acute discomfort isn't necessary if you entertain at the level of your experience—if you allow yourself to grow gently, step by step, into the art of entertaining, as you grow into any other skill. When you learn to dive, you don't dream of plunging off the 30-foot board before you master the 4-foot, the 10-foot, the 20-foot board. So it is with entertaining. You'd be foolhardy to attempt a pheasant banquet when you can scarcely get a lamb chop, baked potato, and peas ready simultaneously for a non-critical husband.

You see, your first dinner is going to set the pattern of your entertaining, more or less. You don't want it to be so complicated that it will be a strain to follow up. Many a bride has developed a phobia about entertaining simply because she bit off more than she could chew when she was a neophyte.

So while you have hoped to launch your career at a dinner full of dishes-designed-to-dazzle, scrumptiously (*Continued on page* 154)

KODACHROME BY WILLIAM HOWLAND

Like the menu, spiced but uncomplicated, this setting by HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S Frances T. Heard shows the new utility in accessories which sacrifice no elegance to their practicality. From Amberg-Hirth of San Francisco come the enamel-on-copper dinner service by Marrell Studios and the simple-to-care-for handwoven linen mats and napkins by Jessie Daggett. International's 1810 sterling flat ware from Cartier, Inc. Glasses by Carbone, table by Modernage.

by Florence Paine Rollins





There's a new pattern in furniture behavior

A basic premise of modern furniture is that it do a better job than its predecessors did. George Nelson had this principle firmly in mind when he designed this new furniture for the Herman Miller Furniture Co. His aim was furniture with a performance as polished as its wood: cabinets engineered to store more things more efficiently in the same limited space.

A composite unit combining drawers and cupboards that can stack horizontally or vertically provides a variety of storage facilities in a single piece of furniture. Nelson makes good use of limited space by replacing traditionally deep, hard-to-get-at drawers with a flock of shallow ones for easier storage. The cupboard area flips down to reveal a working desk.

The suspended bookcase repeats the Nelson insistence on a single unit with dual storage function. The open-faced shelves hold books and accessories and flank a door that conceals less decorative objects. Even the end table, which can double neatly as a night table, has an all-purpose drawer in front and two flush copper pans set high in back to hold plants.



KODACHROMES BY WILLIAM F. HOWLAND





The omnipresent slatted bench turns a neat corner in the living room of a small apartment. On one wall, it forms a decorative base on which to stack cabinets; on the other, it becomes a Modern chaise longue which can double as a table or plant stand when cushion is off.



To support his theory that furniture should not be limited to a special function in a specific room, Mr. Nelson designed a "desk" that can move out of the living room into the bedroom with a simple change of accessories. Actually this handsome item consists of three separate units accessorized to serve as a kneehole desk.



When these beds are made up, the sliding backs (see opposite page) look as sleek as regular headboards. Two sectional case units, designed for use in all rooms, have been used here to flank the beds and give the sleeping area a built-to-order look.

There's a new pattern in furniture behavior

Fine design takes no sides in the battle of Modern vs. Traditional. As conclusive proof, these pages introduce Modern furniture completely at home against a traditional background. It was designed by George Nelson for the Herman Miller Company to support his firm conviction that fine furniture—regardless of its period—is more than skin deep, that Modern is no mere matter of blonde wood and sectional sofas. Architect Nelson's furniture is the very essence of modern thinking: the belief that design is only as good as the performance it makes possible.

This furniture was designed to give the kind of service that fits the way we live today. Convinced that people no longer want furniture tagged for one room exclusively, Nelson designed flexible units that can move out of the bedroom and into the living room with equal ease. Flat-topped vanities become desks with a simple change of accessories; dining tables when not in use line up flush with the cabinet units; a chest of drawers may conceal a cork-lined bar.

All the furniture is scaled to back up close to the walls, realistic in these days when cubic footage is precious because it is costly. The storage units are of a standard size to stand alone or together, stack to accommodate limited wall space, or line up to give any room a built-in look. Their handsome exteriors conceal such functions as desk and wardrobe space, with drawers and cupboards engineered to fit the possessions people are most likely to store in them.

This furniture goes anywhere, holds everything, stacks and restacks into a variety of arrangements. Simple enough in line to blend with any background—whether Modern or Traditional—it proves again that fine Modern is a matter of *performance* rather than *appearance;* that good basic design, no matter what its style label, means more comfortable living, simpler housekeeping, easier entertaining. Which is as good a definition of Modern as there is.



PHOTOGRAPHS BY EZRA STOLLER



The working desk on the opposite page moves into the bedroom and becomes a dressing-table that is as efficient as it is feminine. Suspended between two standard chest units, the vanity box lifts up to reveal built-in interior lighting, a mirror and a clutter-proof, partitioned cosmetic tray.

When the bed is open for the night, the upholstered headboard can become a sliding back-rest that finally makes reading in bed the pleasure it seldom is. Adjustable to any angle, the convertible headboard forms a concealed cabinet behind it which can be used to store extra bedding.





THIS DRESSING TABLE HOLDS ALL, REVEALS NOTHING

One of the most efficient dressing tables ever designed. Behind a façade sleek enough to make the piece welcome in a living room is concealed enough organized storage space to hold intact all the cosmetic clutter a proud beauty usually acquires. Six shelves of varying heights accommodate a variety of jars and bottles. Concealed fluorescent tubing lights up automatically when the doors open, throwing a highly critical circle of light.





THE BENCH WITH THE HIGH I. Q.

A pictorial case history proving that well-designed furniture, no matter how simple, can serve a variety of functions. This slatted bench looks well in unadorned wood or lacquer or fitted with a length of slipcovered foam-rubber padding. Amiable in any emergency, it holds everything from grapes to guests, makes an effective base on which to stack the storage units. The open magazine rack offers an excellent solution to the problem of keeping back issues without having them all over the house. Book shelves are set back, providing extra table surface.



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THIS COFFEE TABLE EXTENDS ITS TALENTS

Ability to double its size is only one of the unorthodox features of this Nelson coffee table. It is also a portable bar and buffet. Closed, its three-foot length works nicely in front of the Modern love seat. Open, it offers a full six feet, either temporarily for party duty or permanently to serve a long sofa. Its extension drawers hold removable trays that have a working surface of Formica, a plastic as immune to cigarettes or alcohol as a mid-Victorian deacon. The trays are finished on the underside to match the surface of the table, so that they can be neatly reversed into an unbroken six feet of coffee table. (See top picture on opposite page.) Simple enough to blend with any background, it comes in a natural or walnut finish.

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STORAGE SPACE IS ENGINEERED FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Modern furniture is no longer designed for use in a particular room. These basic cabinets that stack or line up can be easily converted to fill a special function when moved to another room. The addition of a sliding rack produces a child's wardrobe; removable cork-lined trays turn it into a bar. Accompanying drawer space is engineered to fit the things that occupy it. Long drawer is measured exactly to hold shirts as they come folded from the laundry.

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS BY EZRA STOLLER

There's a new pattern in furniture behavior







THIS TABLE

TURNS UP A VERSATILE LEAF

A sturdy drop-leaf table that lines up flush with the storage units is another example of how good designing can increase the utility of furniture. This modern version of the drop-leaf table has a wooden hinge that makes a trim edge when closed, reveals an interesting decorative pattern when the leaf is up. Double gate-legs insure table's steadiness while seating eight comfortably. make it ideal for entertaining in a small apartment with limited wall space.



The storage chest that also performs as a writing desk

This "Write-Away" chest has three roomy drawers for blankets, linens, or whatever you want to stack away in it. But by pulling out a panel under its top you can turn it into a writing desk. We see this getting a workout in quarters where a single purpose desk might be a space-wasting luxury—in a bedroom or living room. Cavalier Corporation.



Wouldn't you get more use out of this HIGH-POWERED FURNITURE?

Here are four well-known types of furniture, newly designed. But their big newness is not in their looks; it's in the extra usefulness that's been packed into them by manufacturers who have been observing how you really live

FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS BY WILLIAM F. HOWLAND

by Susan Mathews





The arm-rest headboard bed

One of the most understanding items a manufacturer ever blessed the public with—a bed that gives you the comforting support of an armrest when you sit up to read, write, or breakfast. Arms push into headboard. Designed by Edward Wormley for Dunbar Furniture Mfg. Co. At L. S. Ayers, Indianapolis.



The coffee table with a nest of four small tables

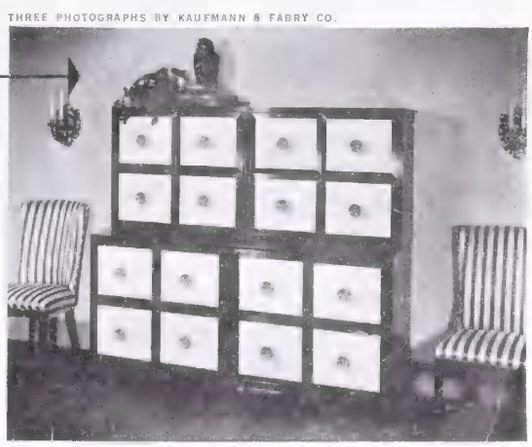
If you've ever entertained with a buffet supper or a tea or a brunch party, you'll appreciate at once how a coffee table like this could go to work for you. Four small tables, hidden beneath, pull out for extra service, have top cut-outs for portability. Designed by Harold M. Schwartz for Romweber Co.

The dining chest that really stores

China, silver (even bulky hollowware), table linens, record albums fit conveniently into one chest, which is really a composite of four separate cupboards stacked together—and all this at-your-elbow service is concealed behind an exterior appropriate for dining or living room. Tomlinson of High Point.

THREE PHOTOGRAPHS BY KAUFMANN & FABRY CO.





ACCESSORIES, ALFRED ORLIK



1

One good serving table is worth its weight in butlers

As conservatively traditional as any Jeeves who ever carried a card tray—that is how you might, at first sight, label the mahogany butler's table shown in picture **1**. But this is no traditional serving table. It's a bellwether in the growing trend toward extra furniture usefulness.

It is the Baker Furniture Company's "Party Butler," a 21″ x 30″ table, 27″ high. But its destiny is not merely to hold plates at meal time and to carry refreshments to the living room, but to perform, at a few minutes' notice and without imperiling the sacroiliac, as a 6′ 9″ buffet. To see how it expands, follow the pictures on these three pages.

The butler has four parts **(2)**: a folding table base like a luggage rack, which has a strapped center section with a hinged leaf at each side; a removable tray; and two extra legs. These legs **(3)** are the key to the expanding act, screwing into the underside of the hinged table leaves and furnishing support. In **1** the side leaves have been flapped back, one on the other, on the center section, and covered by the tray. When the tray is removed, one leg is screwed into one flap of the table while it is still folded **(4)**. Unfold the leaf with the leg attached **(5)**, and the table is half extended. Picture **6** shows you the all-out goal you're aiming for. Next you screw on the second (*Continued on page* 124)

by Marion Gough



2

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3



4



5



CHINA AND CONDIMENT SET, ALFRED ORLIK; SILVER AND SALAD BOWL, PARK CURIOSITY SHOP; RUG, CABIN CRAFTS FROM B. ALTMAN & CO.; TABLE, BAKER FURNITURE CO., INC.



7



8

(*Continued from page* 122) leg to the second folded leaf **(7)**, following the same procedure. Now set the tray on the strapped center section **(8)**, and there's your 21″ x 30″ butler's table transformed into a 6′ 9″ sideboard, ready to hold the wherewithal for a cocktail party **(9)**, a buffet supper **(6)**, a tea party, or whatever occasion demands copious and good-looking serving surface.

Study this rather amazing piece of furniture as a sign of the times, for it is a symptom of the new realism in furniture design. It is well and handsomely made, as intriguing to the style-conscious as to the hard-headed functionalist who asks first, "What will it do?" Its expansion and telescoping work smoothly, requiring none of the hands-and-knees calisthenics usually associated with extendable tables. Its design recognizes how most of us live and entertain these days, shows awareness that we cannot afford space for permanent set-ups of large furniture which is not constantly used. And so the butler is light in weight, easy to carry and set up in different rooms, yet so solidly made that it presents an established appearance wherever it is. It is priced realistically, too, at around $140 for all this service.

For a list of stores carrying the "Party Butler"
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GLASSES, CAN-DLE-LUXE SHOP; TRAY AND ICE BUCKET, PARK CURIOSITY SHOP



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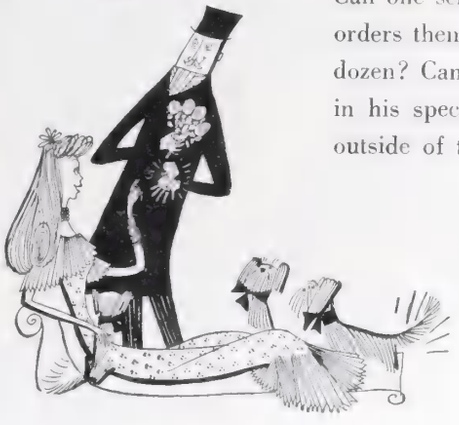
Giving Good Gifts

There is a tide in the affairs of men—or more frequently and specifically in the affairs of women—which seeps up and demands that a present be sent. This tide recurs with birthdays and weddings and anniversaries, with births and convalescence and the acceptance of hospitality. At Christmas it swells to a flood. It is easy enough to think of a birthday gift for ten-year-old Johnny who is fascinated by any electrical gadget, or for the brother who is a hunter, or the friend who collects old glass. Rare is the man who is not pleased by a package of his favorite cheese, or the woman who is not grateful for a pair of nylon stockings, or the gardener who will not be enthusiastic over a few fine bulbs.



But what, oh what, shall we give the person who "has everything"? There is usually one on every list. Can one send a monogrammed handkerchief to the girl who orders them for herself, casually and as a matter of course, by the dozen? Can one give a new book to the man who buys every one in his special field and is not interested in anything outside of that field? Can one send a flowering cyclamen to the family which has its own greenhouse?



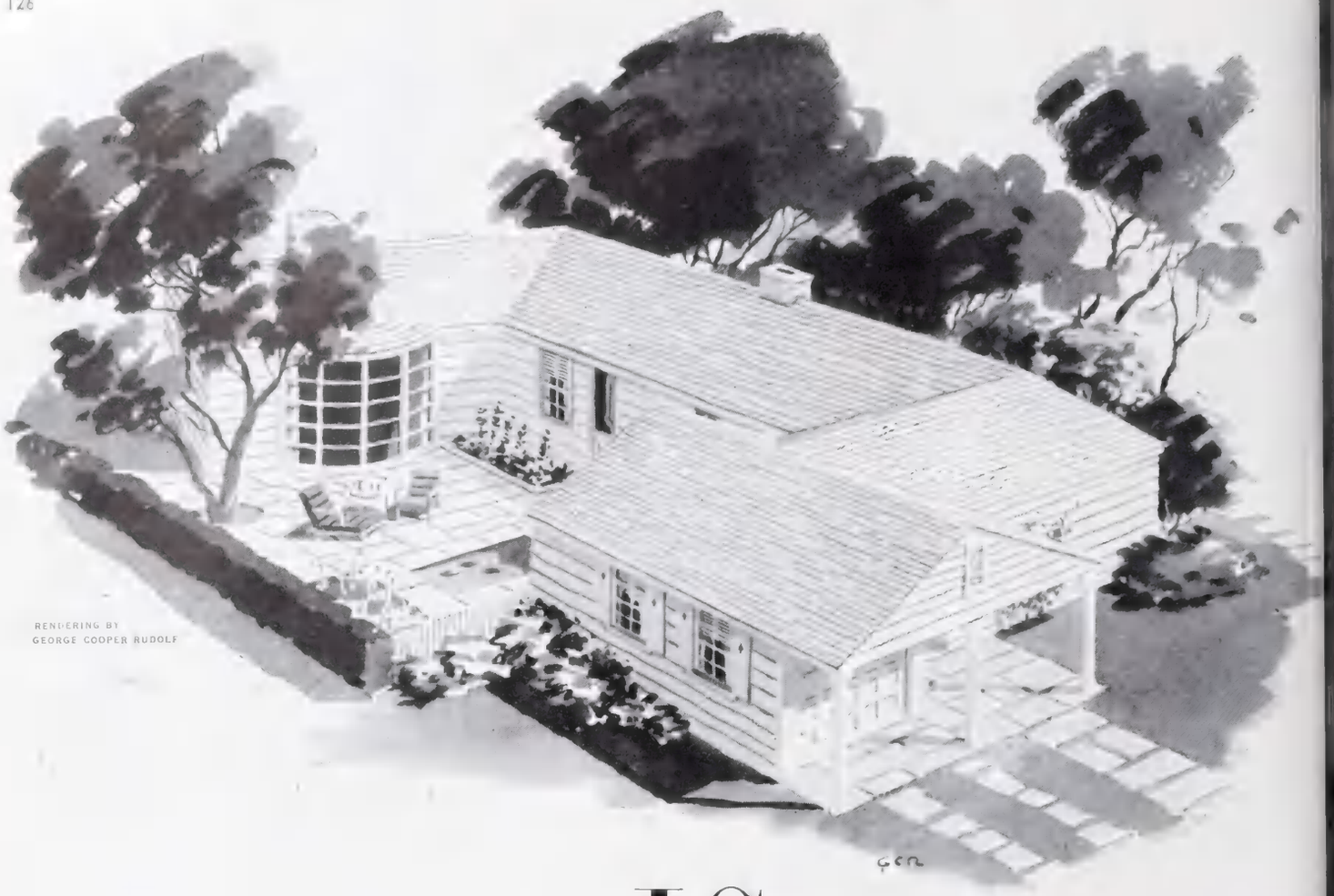


We want to make some gesture of affection to those who have been generous to us even if they do "have everything." Or we must make some acknowledgment to those who, although a formal business association promoted it, have stunned us by some elaborate present, or assisted us by some important services.

Sometimes the financial scales are so heavily weighed in our disfavor that the only course conformable with common sense seems to be to do nothing. Or, going to the other extreme, we can throw all the little pots into one big pot, and appropriate far more money than we can afford to send an expensive superfluity. Neither of these courses is in good taste.

by Agnes Rothery

After all, wealthy people are human. They like to be liked; they like to be remembered. *(Continued on page 190)*



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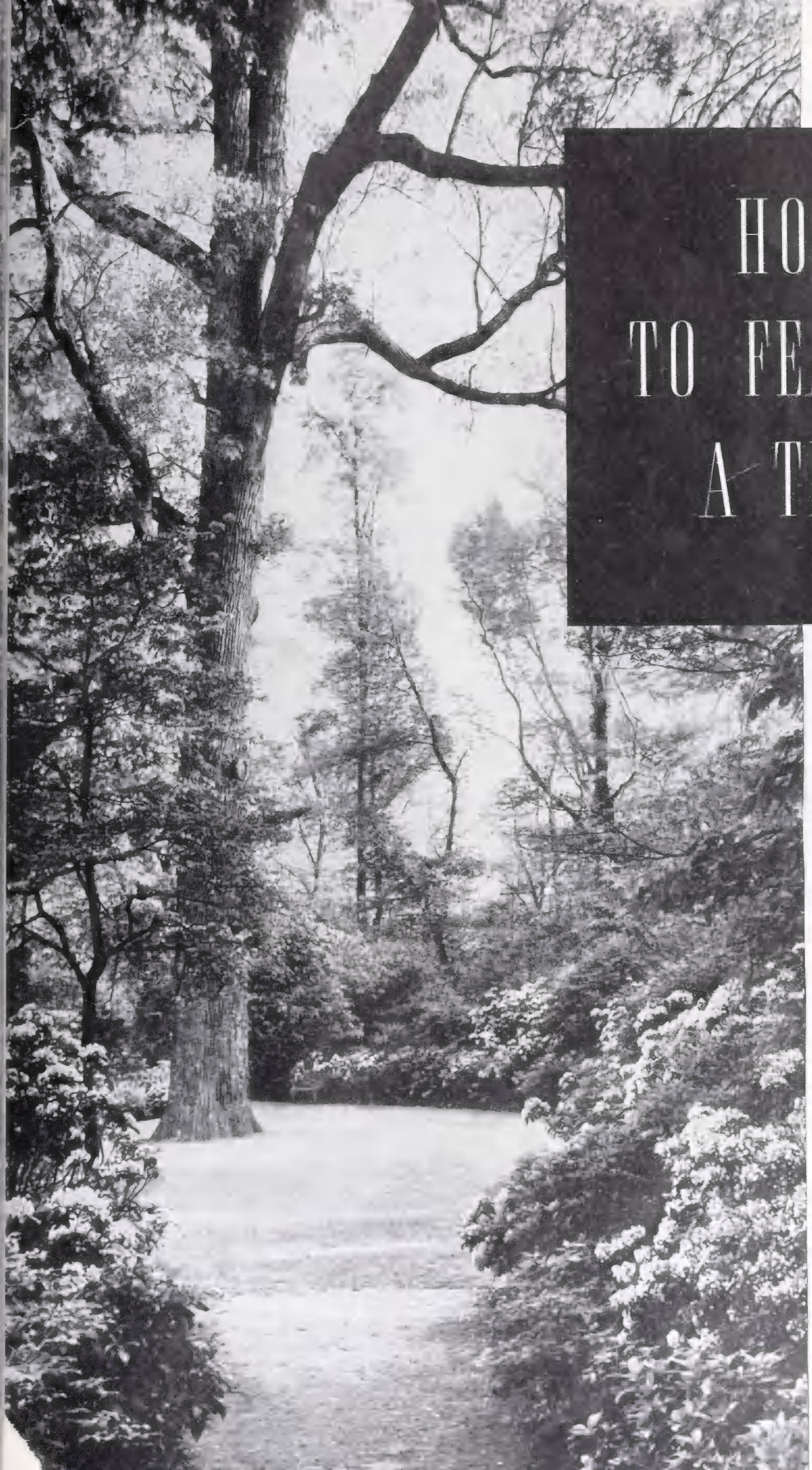
PRIVACY IS POSSIBLE ON A 50 X 100 FOOT LOT

Here is a five-room plan, designed for a narrow lot, but with big estate advantages. It is a prize winner in Bloomingdale's architectural competition, "Suburban Houses for New Yorkers," and has meaning for city builders in all parts of the country

by Reuben Whitney

Owners of small 50-foot lots have been worrying about how they can build a house with big windows that bring the outdoors inside and how they can have an outdoor living area—without giving up their privacy and living like fish in an aquarium. This is a problem particularly prevalent in cities where property values are high and the average house site is limited in size. But don't worry, if you are a small lot owner. The problem can be solved. You are not bound to forego the best features of modern housing because your plot is small.

The solution calls for a few basic changes in floor planning and site use, as illustrated by the house on these two pages. A traditional approach to the problem will not solve



HOW TO FEATURE A TREE

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HOW TO FEATURE A TREE

A tree is the biggest single plant investment you will make. Choose it with care for its good qualities and to fit its location. If handsome trees already exist on your grounds, work them into your garden scheme



1

THREE PHOTOGRAPHS BY GOTTSCHO-SCHLEISNER

Plant a tree to shade your terrace

To shade a terrace adjoining your house, plant a light-foliage tree like the Kentucky coffee tree. In this way you will have enough shade on the terrace to break the glare, without cutting off too much light from your house interior. High-branching trees like the coffee and honey-locust (*Gleditsia*) are best in the North; the low-branching "canopies" in warm sections.

For the Northeast—honey-locust and American elm.
For the South—coffee tree and service berry (*Amelanchier*).
For Florida—mimosa, tropical almond (in frost-free area).
For the Middle West—honey-locust and Kentucky coffee tree.
For the Rockies and Great Plain—honey-locust and coffee tree.
For the Northwest—yellow wood (*Cladrastis*), honey-locust.
For California and Southwest—evergreen elm and Modesto ash.



2

Give a forest giant its due

You are fortunate, indeed, if you own a stately old oak tree—but are you making the most of it? Landscape architects Innocenti and Webel have set off this tall red oak by planting lawn beneath it and encircling the area with native mountain laurel. Such a choice tree is attractive near the house or as a surprise feature along a winding woodland path.

For the Northeast—red oak, white oak, and tulip tree.
For the South—red oak, live oak, and tulip tree.
For Florida—water oak, live oak, and bull bay (*Magnolia*).
For the Middle West—tulip tree, sweet gum (*Liquidambar*).
For the Rockies and Great Plain—bur oak and red oak.
For the Northwest—plane tree or sycamore, and Garry oak.
For California—coast live oak and California sycamore.



3

Have a modest-size dooryard tree

On the moderate-sized property use a small tree of interesting character to frame your doorway and balance the size of the house and lawn area. A standard apple is a good solution in many regions, especially for traditional houses such as this one. Small flowering trees are available by the dozens so you will find it a challenge to make a choice.

For the Northeast—apple, fringetree, dogwood, and magnolia.
For the South—franklinia (*Gordonia*), magnolia, and redbud.
For Florida—dogwood, cajeput (in the frost-free area).
For the Middle West—redbud and sweet bay (*Magnolia glauca*).
For Rockies and Great Plain—crabapple (Hopa or Dolga).
For the Northwest—crabapple, flowering cherry, sour wood.
For California and Southwest—Jerusalem thorn, Brazil pepper.

PHOTOGRAPH BY PAUL HADLEY



4

Screen with a dense, low-branching tree

Heavy-foliage, low-branching trees belong away from the immediate house area because they cast too much shade and cut down air circulation. The horse chestnut is one to use where it has plenty of elbow room—perhaps as a screen at the edge of the property. The beech is another large, dense tree for the North. In the South and California, again use live oak.

For the Northeast—horse chestnut, beech, and Norway maple.
For the South—horse chestnut, southern shellbark hickory.
For Florida—bull bay, native pine, bixa (frost-free area).
For the Middle West—horse chestnut and pin oak.
For Rockies and Great Plain—horse chestnut, Russian olive.
For the Northwest—pyramidal English oak, linden, pin oak.
For California and Southwest—cape chestnut and magnolia.

PHOTOGRAPH BY MAYNARD L. PARKER



5

Focus your garden on a handsome tree

A tree can be as interest-catching and satisfying as a whole rainbow of flowers. This California live oak is the central feature of the garden of the Wellington Hendersons in San Mateo. Note how Thomas Church, the landscape architect, has increased the importance of the tree by adding topiary work and a terrace two steps below the level on which the tree is growing.

For the Northeast—white oak, paper birch, and ginkgo.
For the South—live oak or Spanish oak (*Quercus coccinea*).
For Florida—camphor tree and avocado (frost-free area).
For the Middle West—sweet gum, Chinese scholar tree.
For Rockies and Great Plain—Bolleana poplar, bur or red oak.
For Northwest—tupelo (*Nyssa sylvatica*), American chestnut.
For California and the Southwest—camphor, coast live oak.

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Summer Pruning

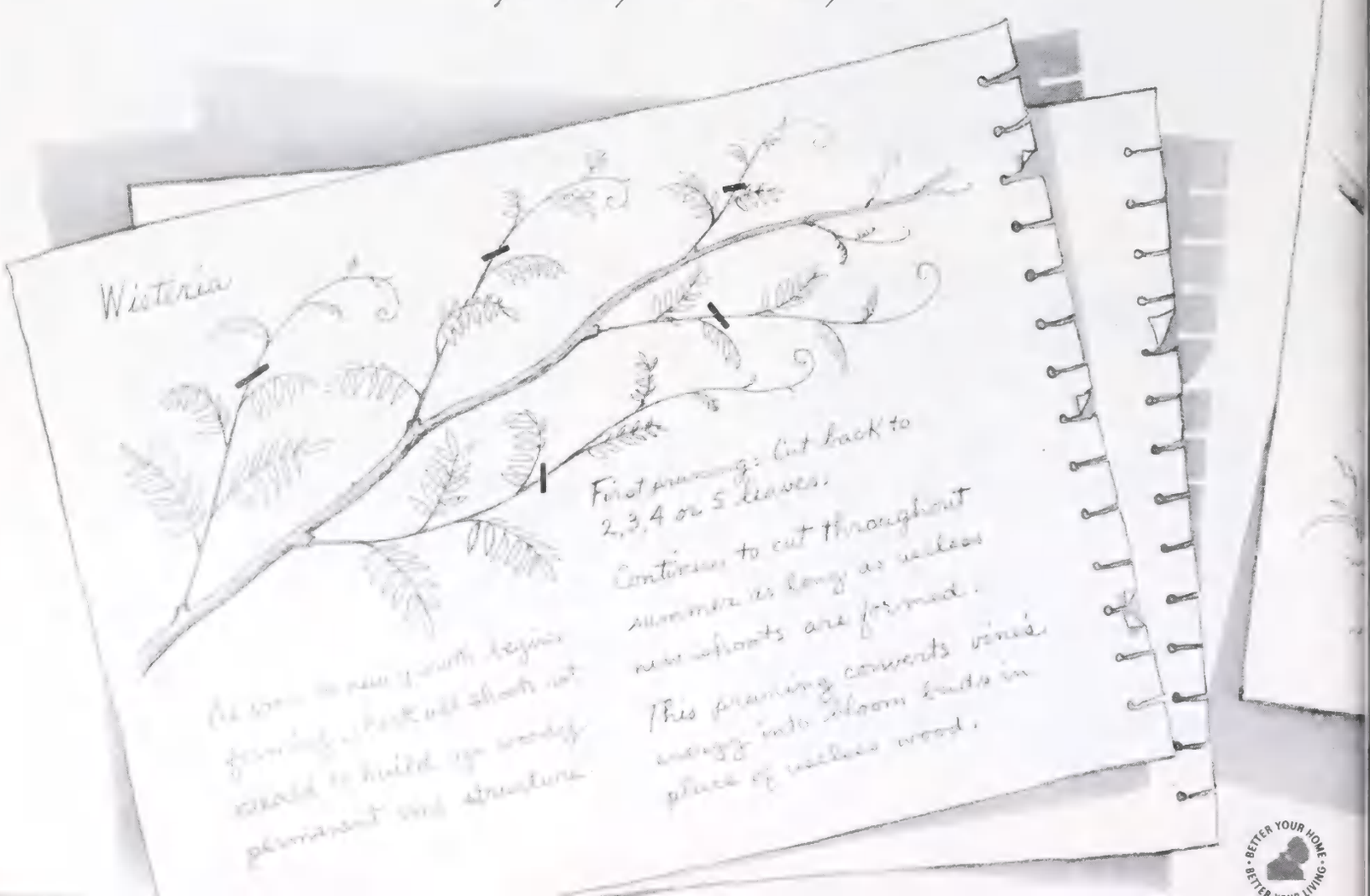
will encourage your wisteria and fruit trees to bloom

Summer pruning—though usually overlooked—often pays big dividends. Not only will it improve the form and line of your shrubs, trees, and vines, but it may persuade certain non-blooming or sparsely blooming plants to flower more freely.

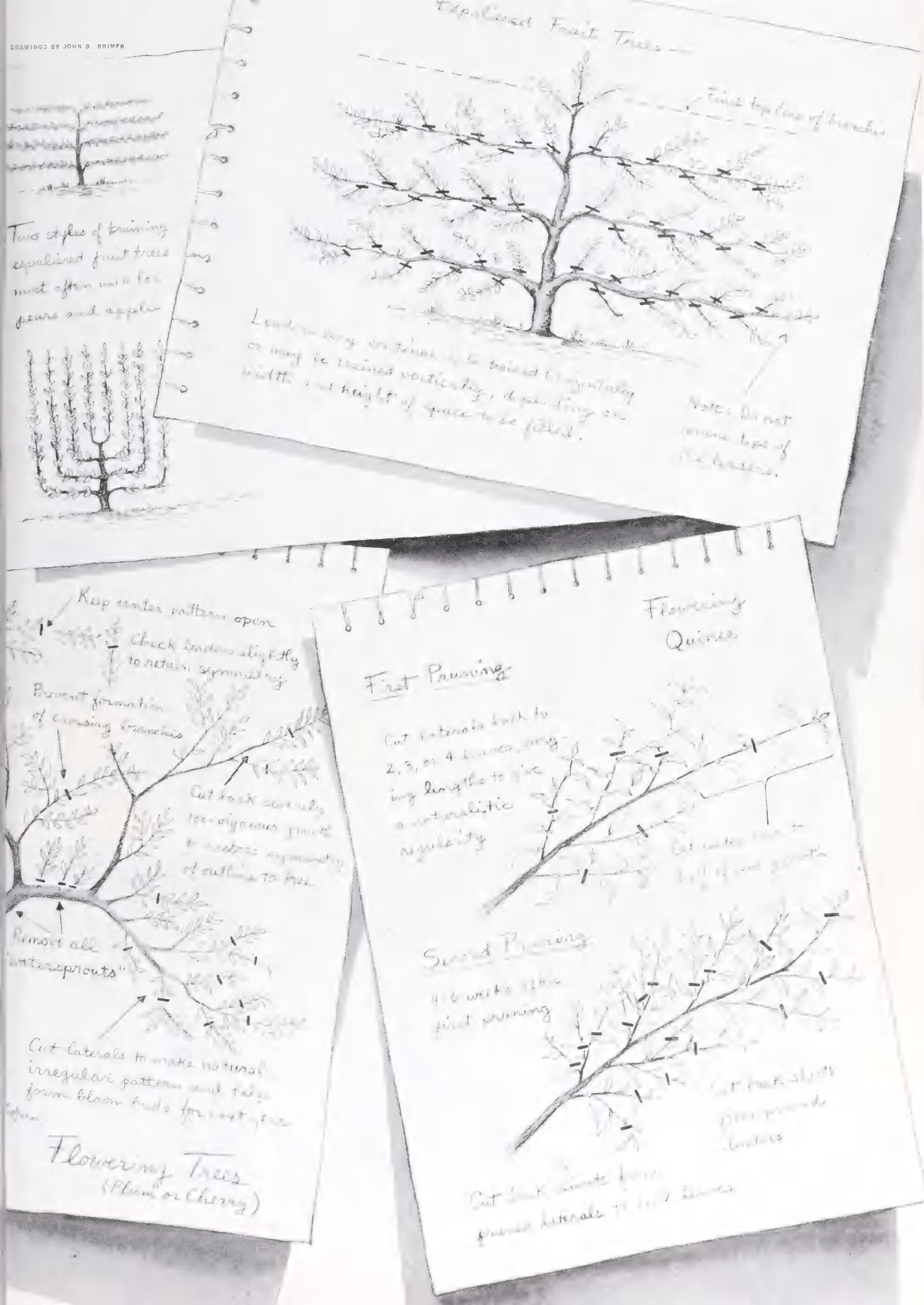
Have you a quince that disappoints you every spring by flowering down in the heart and pushing a mass of vigorous, though flowerless, shoots to the outside? The answer is summer pruning. Have you a wisteria which ramps around over trellis, arch, and whatever else it encounters, but blooms only sparsely, if at all? The answer is summer pruning. Have you fruit trees or flowering cherries or crabapples or plums that make rank growth and do not fruit or bloom as you might wish? The answer is, again, summer pruning.

Yes, summer pruning works almost like magic. By cutting the new, soft, current season's wood *during the period in which it is making growth*, you direct the energy of the plant into forming bloom buds for next spring, instead of useless growth. (*Continued on page* 216)

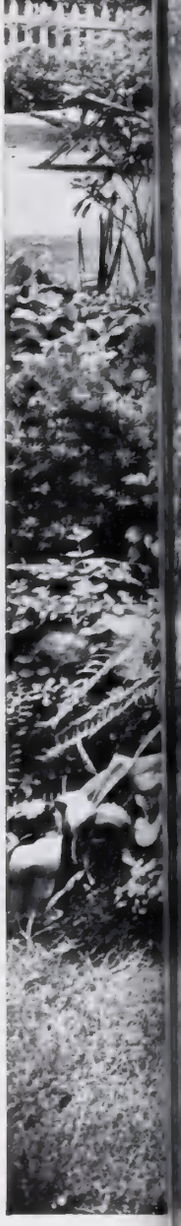
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Have a SURPRISE CORNER *in your garden*



In a world that is almost too full of show and bigness, or in a garden that is overly rich in flowers and color, a surprise corner of little things can be a welcome change.

A garden surprise corner is one that grows, often gradually, to accommodate, the choice, dainty wildlings that all true gardeners learn to love. They may be plants like our native columbines, or they may be those rare blue poppies from China, which challenge the gardener's skill. A few of them, such as painted trillium and ladyslippers, are quite striking from a distance. But most are fragile and dainty, and all of them merit close inspection in a quiet setting of their own away from the rest of the garden.

Every garden has room for a surprise corner because it requires only a few square feet of space. An ideal spot is in semi-shade below a tall oak, but many other spots are adaptable—a bay in a shrubbery border, a bank at the foot of the garden, the few square feet of ground behind the garage, even the hitherto useless north side of the house where you could never persuade flowers to bloom.

Important "musts" for the surprise corner are separation (*Continued on page* 162)



Clintonia borealis likes cool, moist shade.



Shortia, from Carolinas, takes to gardens.



Yellow ladyslipper, a lovely native orchid.

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e what you can do with a space only ten feet square. This surprise corner at the foot of a big tree is unified by a low retaining wall l a pool scaled to the size of miniature wildflowers and ferns. ckground of evergreens and dogwoods screens it from other areas.

by Alice L. Dustan

PHOTOGRAPH BY JOHN GRANT



Wintergreen, bunchberry, ground pine.



Aquilegia jucunda, an Asiatic wildflower.



Trillium grandiflorum, the snow trillium.



Ask your plants what to do

by DR. R. B. FARNHAM

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If you are stumped because your plants don't behave as you think they should, because they lack the vigor and color of specimens you saw in the nursery or botanic garden, the plants themselves may give you a clue to the remedy. They can tell you a lot more than voluminous reports about "hidden hunger" and the dire eventualities caused by poor soil.

Too much technical literature may bewilder you, but first-hand observation of your own plants will probably furnish you with most of the data you need. Look at them carefully, compare them in every respect with the ideal and, finally, check with yourself about the past treatment they have been receiving at your hands. Simple deduction will determine your course of action. If insects and disease are ruled out, improving the soil will probably be the answer.

How much do you know about the roots of your plants? Probably very little. If so, resolve to make a special study of the roots of plants which are less vigorous than they should be. It will be more fruitful than any other single resolution you make during the whole gardening year.

The average plant in active growth develops numerous new roots annually. Healthy new root growth is light in color, often white, and relatively thick. If no new root development is present, then you may be reasonably sure that something is wrong with the soil.

One very good guess is that the trouble lies in an overdose of fertilizer or in a soil which is in poor physical condition—has too little drainage, air, or organic matter, so that it both dries and over-heats in summer. Poor roots also may indicate that you have not maintained an organic mulch on the soil. Obviously the cure here is to withhold commercial fertilizer and to add more organic matter—garden plants rarely get enough.

But perhaps your plants have other symptoms than those caused by poor root development. If a plant flowered poorly but had abundant leaf production, you can be quite sure that it is getting, or was getting, too high a proportion of soil nutrients in relation to the amount of sunlight it receives. As a result, its starch-making activity is heightened at the expense of flower growth.

The best remedy here is to "lay off" the fertilizer this spring. Cut down especially on fertilizers which are high in nitrogen, which encourages leaf growth. If you simply must put on something, then get some 16 to 20 per cent superphosphate and apply it at the rate of a quart jarful to 100 square feet, both before and after digging the area in question. As long as growth continues merrily, with no slow-down, don't apply fertilizer. However, if growth does slow up and the roots are healthy and soil moisture is abundant, apply complete fertilizer in early July. Never apply more (*Continued on page* 215)


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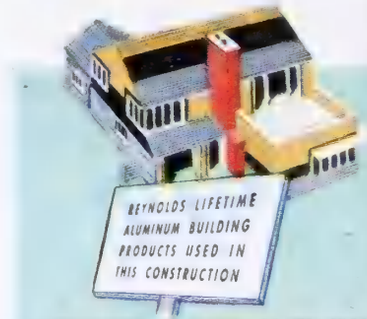
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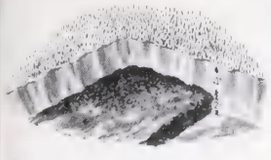
EASY DOES IT

By Thomas M. Rippey

Here's how the man of the house can learn to lay his own cement terrace or walks, or repair the damage to any cement work caused by a hard winter

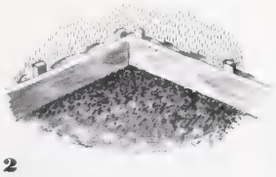
R an amateur, cement work can be a messy occupation. But to- there are easy and speedy hods for laying cement walks labs with a minimum of mess. re are two decisions to make re you start. The first is the ht, or finished grade, of your work, and the second is the e or direction in which water drain from it. If you are re- ing midway between two ce- t areas, the adjoining surfaces govern height. But on new k you have to do a bit of fig- ng before you start.

eight being determined, the t step is to remove the earth n the area to be cemented. Re- e earth to a depth of four in- s below your proposed grade In the colder parts of the ntry, it is sensible practice to ease this depth to six inches



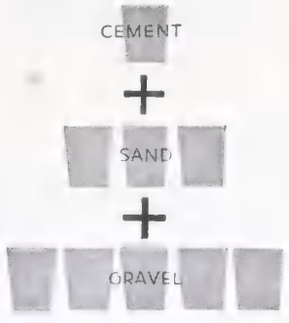
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to lay a two-inch cushion of ders in the bottom of the exca- on, placing the four inches of crete on the cinders to defeat frost movement in the ground. Now your side board forms go place. These can be ordinary athing boards, four inches wide, led to stakes driven into the und at three-foot intervals (2). fore being fastened, the stakes st be adjusted to grade and pe by a hand-level. On new work. l boards must be placed at the en ends of the side boards, with ir upper edges meeting the top ges of the side boards exactly. This is unnecessary, of course, when making repairs adjoining existing cement work. The idea is to form a measured enclosure into which the concrete is dumped.



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Now prepare the dry-mix for your concrete by dumping together one part cement, three parts sand, and five parts medium gravel (3). No water as yet. Turn this mixture over and mix it very thoroughly. This may be done upon a cleanly swept portion of the walk or in a mortar-box. When you are sure it



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is well stirred together, rake it into a neat pile with a crater-like opening in its peak to receive the water for mixing (4).

And here is the secret of speedy and good-looking cement mixing. Instead of filling your excavation with a sloppy, wet concrete, add only enough water to allow the

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chemical action of the cement to take place. But be ever so diligent



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in mixing to be sure it is uniformly damp. Then place and tamp down this concoction in the enclosure (5).

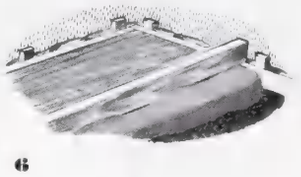
Now a true board, known as a straight-edge, is smoothed over the



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surface of the damp material several times until the concrete is scraped truly even with the top of the form boards (6). This will establish your plans concretely.

Should you purchase ready-mixed concrete, delivered ready for use in a mixer-truck, be sure to specify material almost dry. This drier kind will really result in greater strength when hardened than the sloppy variety, as there will be less tendency for the grains



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of cement to settle out and leave weak, honey-combed areas. Your placed concrete will set with amazing rapidity, although it will remain damp for several days. So after smoothing off the newly-placed material, you had better begin mixing up a bucket of grout. Grout is one part cement, two parts medium sand, and just enough water to give plasticity (7). Dump this on the concrete. Again putting the straight-edge to work, smooth over the grout several times until it is even, until it has filled all voids between the pebbles of the concrete slab.

The time for final finishing and your choice of finishes has arrived. To get a smooth, glassy one, u steel finishing trowel, drawing flat arcs over the grout (8). popular finish today is the finish, rougher in texture and m with a wooden trowel or float. less easy for pedestrians to skid

In working this finish, the bles of the concrete base are cisely even with your establis grade and will support your tro at the proper angle for smooth



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ishing of the paint-thick grout. Y won't be slopping around with half-inch of soft topping.

My own favorite finish is smoothed over with a wooden fl



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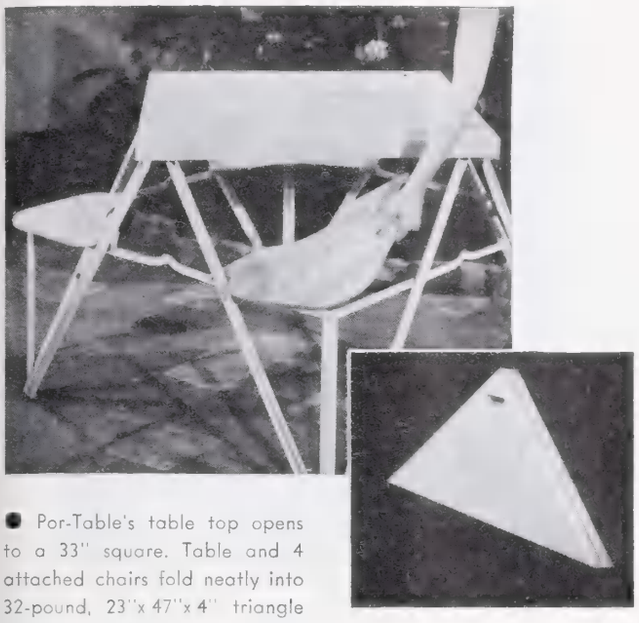
(9). With this method the fo edges of the area are worked ov with an edger. This is a spec cement tool, which produces smooth, ribbon-like effect abo 1½" in width.

How will you know the amou of material to mix for a given jo Here's a handy rule-of-thumb. block of cement 3′ x 3′ and 4" thi requires roughly ½ sack of ceme 1½ sacks of sand, and 2½ sac of gravel, using the origina. ceme sack as a measure.



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Caution: Don't attempt too mu work at one time. It is better to one area expertly than to spoil se eral areas through fatigue.



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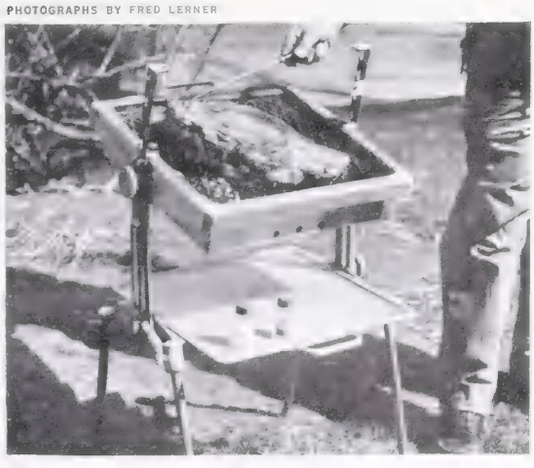
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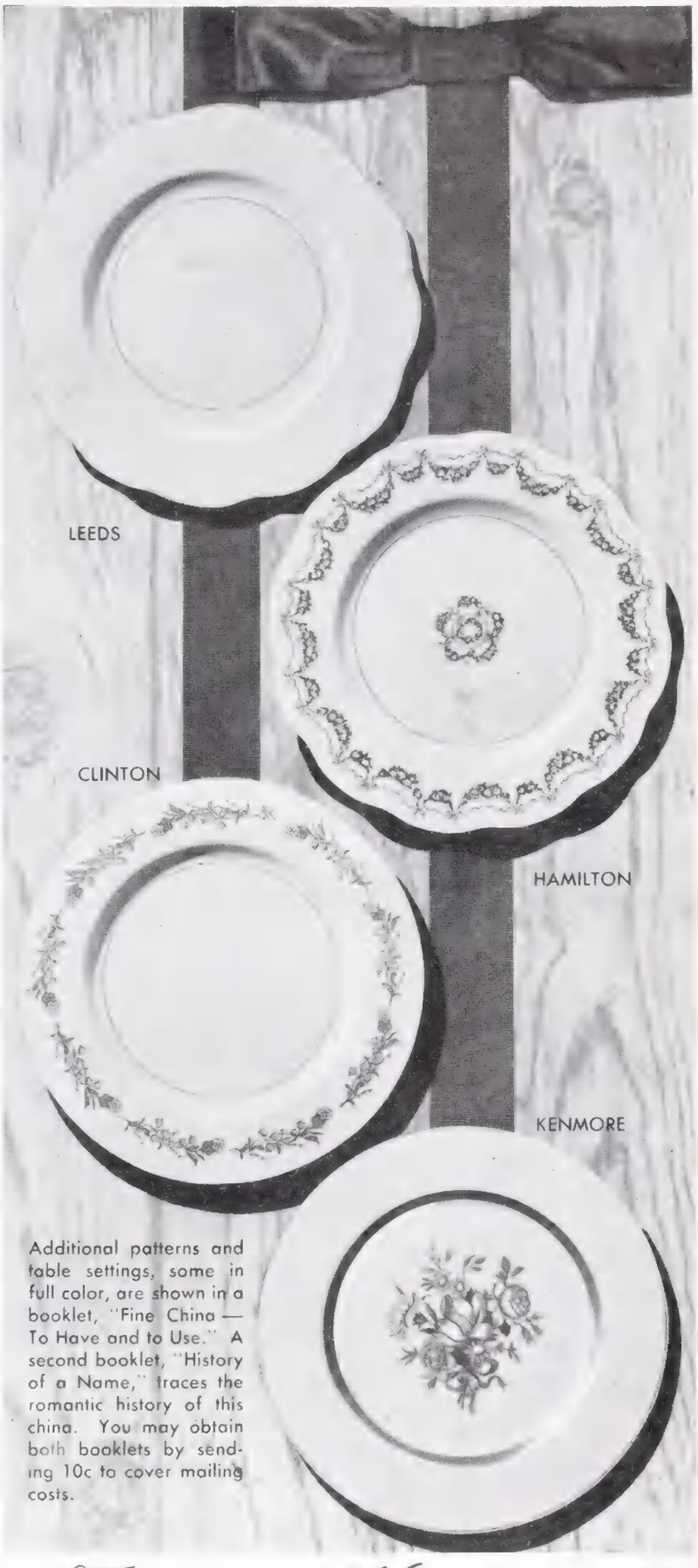
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Mrs. H. H. Heinbeck, of Santa Monica, California, gave a museum-like turn to two such problem spots. Originally a front porch, the entrance hall pictured abov papered with collectors' iten sheets from old magazines, s books, volumes of verse, all s lacked to protect their surfa For a corner near a guest cl (below), a collection of Cur and Ives prints was garnered fi an old calendar, mounted in a n tiple frame, and topped by a p of porcelain coat hangers.

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A TUNE IN JUNE

BY RICHARD WILLIAMS

will soon be June—June the nth loved by the poets. Cole- e called it "the leafy month" James Russell Lowell asked, at is so rare as a day in June?" a popular month all around, ılar with gardeners, school- , and wedding caterers.

our musical life, however, it n interim month, a month of king time. It is the period when last door of the winter concert s has been closed and the first he many summer festivals of ic—which have now become an ortant and popular national di- ion—has not yet begun.

seems a good time, therefore, alk about the kind of music h, like thirst, knows no season. referring to compositions and odies which, though they may be the finest music, are so pop- that they are always with us. hese favorites have become as iliar as our neighborhood. We them for granted but still like . They are useful, too: useful background music to a love e in a movie, useful to the man sings in the shower, indispen- e to the popular radio program. d or bad, they all have in com- a certain quality which makes n memorable and appealing. only a musical snob would oise that quality. Since you hear n all the time, you might as l hear something of their story. here is, first of all, the *Wedding March* by Mendelssohn. If it is the most overworked composition in June, at least, like love itself, it shows no sign of being fatigued. Its composer came from a rich and cultured family. He and his sister received the kind of education which in those days was considered necessary for a gentleman and a lady—but today, it strikes us as rather overdoing a good thing. The children had to get up at five every morning and study piano, languages, and mathematics until they were exhausted. A thorough study of Shakespeare was part of this education. Fanny, Felix's sister, said that they were really brought up on *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and Felix especially had made it his own.

Mendelssohn wrote the overture to *A Midsummer Night's Dream* when he was a boy of seventeen. It is one of the mysteries of genius that a boy of seventeen could write so smooth and polished a piece of music, technically so perfect. It is an enchanting overture, one which, to quote Sir George Grove, the compiler of the famous *Musical Dictionary*, "brought the fairies into the orchestra and fixed them there."

The other incidental music, including the *Wedding March*, Mendelssohn added later. The march immediately became popular and has been used for weddings ever

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since, although, as more than one commentator has pointed out, it is actually quite unromantic music. It is suitable for the wedding of the Duke and Hippolyta in the play; it is formal, cool, and polite. But that hasn't made the slightest difference—no more, indeed, than the fact that the other wedding march, the one that Wagner wrote for Lohengrin's and Elsa's wedding, presages a marriage which is short and comes to no good end.

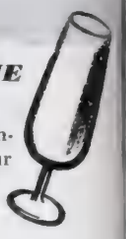
If you saw the Thornton Wilder play, *Our Town*, you may remember that the musical knowledge of the little town is discussed early in the play. That knowledge is not very large: the one piece of music that they really know and like is Handel's *Largo*. This melody is certainly one of the most popular ones in the whole world. It has become a tradition at funerals and other solemn occasions. It is curious, therefore, that originally it was an aria from the only *comic* opera Handel ever wrote, an opera called *Xerxes*. Xerxes, the Persian king, sings the aria in the first act. He has just returned from a hard battle, flings himself under a tree, and sings gratefully about its soothing shade—"Ombra mai fu." You probably have Caruso's recording of the aria, one of the finest recordings he ever made.

IN THE line of somber music, the composition that may rival the *Largo* is Rachmaninoff's *Prelude in C-Sharp Minor*. Ernest Newman, the English writer, called this piece "It." Rachmaninoff composed it when he was twenty. Siloti, a famous pianist, played it on a program in London and it became so phenomenally popular that Rachmaninoff was invited to come to London and play and conduct his own works. This was his first important professional engagement, and thus Rachmaninoff got his start through "It."

The piece plagued the life out of him. Every audience he played to demanded it as an encore. Rachmaninoff came to hate the *Prelude*, the more so because he never made money out of it. He sold the copyright to the original publisher.

To violin music, the *Flight of the Bumblebee*, is what the Rachmaninoff *Prelude* is to the piano. Every violinist must have it ready as an encore. Originally the *Bumblebee* was written for Rimsky-Korsakoff's tenth opera, *Tsar Saltan*, as an orchestral scherzo. The opera is for-

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gotten except for this one number, of which a violin adaptation was made. It is ubiquitous both as a violin piece and as an ingredient of "Pop" concerts, and is cousin to Paganini's *Perpetual Motion.*

Much higher in musical value, but equal in popularity, is Chopin's *Nocturne in E-Flat.* If Rachmaninoff's *Prelude* is known as "It," this must be known as "The" nocturne. It was one of the first of the nineteen nocturnes that Chopin composed. He wrote it about a year after arriving in Paris, when he was still practically unknown. He was then twenty-one, a "pale, melancholy, elegant young man with a slight foreign accent, brown eyes of incomparable softness and limpidity, chestnut hair . . . falling in a wisp on his brow."

The *Nocturne* was dedicated to Mme. Camille Pleyel, the wife of the French piano manufacturer who later, when Chopin became famous, made special pianos for him suitable to the delicate and soft touch of Chopin's playing.

ONE cannot conscientiously conclude an article of this kind without bringing in our old and stormy friend, the *Second Hungarian Rhapsody.* Liszt, both genius and charlatan, the most glamorous and adored virtuoso that Europe had ever known, composed exactly as many of these rhapsodies as Chopin composed nocturnes. They echo the rhythms and melodies of the gypsy music familiar to Liszt.

In the days when he appeared like a silver comet in Europe's musical cities, these rhapsodies served him well with his fashionable audiences. The more emotional members of those audiences used to faint dead away, and some female members used to steal into the artist's hotel room and carry off the water in which he had washed his hands, or they would scoop up as a souvenir the drop of coffee that he had left in his cup.

The next time you hear this rhapsody, imagine Liszt himself performing it, coming out on the concert platform—deliberately late to keep his audience in suspense. He pulls off his kid gloves and throws them carelessly on the floor. Then, fixing his eyes upon one member of the audience—usually an aristocratic and of course good-looking woman—he slowly bends over to begin, in the intense silence, the melancholy opening chords. Can you imagine the spell of that playing? Can you imagine the applause that followed the fiery and breath-taking ending?



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It's a pseudo-Spanish brownstone, complete with dumbwaiter.

The halls are snake-pit brown, and the steps, unfit for Lexie, are liver-yellow, and I wouldn't trade them for all the inlaid doormen on Park. They're wide enough so you can walk up looking at the ceiling, which is a good stolid beige and makes a fine background for trying out new color schemes.

There's a garden in back which we share with the Mews folk who live right behind us.

It has an eighteenth-century pagoda in the middle with little love seats clustered all around, like geisha girls at a tea party. At the moment it's all over slush, but when Spring comes to the Village Mr. Turnbull, our landlord, assures us that it will look like something out of Renoir. Well, what he actually said was, "It ain't no botanical garden, but it gives a body a chance to study a leaf close up. Which is more'n happens to most city folks."

Mr. Turnbull, in addition to being a leaf-fancier, is a retired sea captain. Eight East Eighth Street is part of the rambling property of Sailor's Snug Harbor, a large, benevolent organization devoted to the upkeep of old sailors. Instead of paying our rent to some character who is busy whittling



away at rent ceilings, we turn it over to old sailors who have been beached (or whatever it is that happens to old sailors) on the reefs of old age.

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Naturally, there are some minor disadvantages. The walls are kind of peeling in places, and there is some question as to whether the bedroom can take two beds. We have two closets designed to hold three dresses with a minimum of creasing. The last tenant took the toilet seat with her, and the plumbing is of such antique vintage that the part is no longer available.

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we are having one made. *at* for your custom-made coffee le. The Herrmanns are so chic y have custom-designing in the hroom.

The sink is pre-Ming in appear-ce and performance, but the ve seems amiable enough and dumbwaiter scoots up and vn with great abandon. This is first meeting with one, but I ss I'll get over thinking it's re so Grandma won't have to nb all those stairs.

But the living room—the living m is the jewel in our beat-up, tered, peeling crown. It is large l square with a fireplace that ns like a torch-singer's lyrics. indeterminate Spanish ances-, the hearth is red brick framed molar-like tiles, and it resem-s nothing so much as a large, k-toothed, steely-eyed duenna of a Goya painting.

"There must be something you do with old fireplaces," David



l hopefully. "Every month I l about people converting old sco cans into crystal chande-s. Do pull up a chair."

We drew up some old packing es and stared romantically into depths of our first fireplace, ered with the departed seat-tcher's old cigarette butts.

Home," David said. "A place the family to visit."

A chunk of plaster plinked tly from the ceiling, caught in late afternoon sun. Eighth et lay outside our windows, a y-tale community I never knew sted: the cleaner's across the et like a provincial cottage, and eauty shop with green shutters, the Brevoort at the corner, sh under its umbrellas. The can-dy-striped one for Sunday breakfast, followed by a sidewalk art show in Washington Square . . .

"And the Fifth Avenue bus morning and night," I said. "Living in the Village even makes going to work a pleasure. We'll always be going up while they're coming down, and vice versa. Why doesn't everybody live in the Village?"

"If they did, you couldn't get on a bus," David said reasonably.

I linked my arm through his. "You're right. I'm glad it's just us and snug sailors."

We put on our coats and the radiator hissed a good, gusty farewell. The ceiling relinquished a generous slug of plaster as we slammed the door.

"I guess we aren't quite ready to move in," I said dubiously.

"Particularly since we don't own any furniture," David said, trying not to look at the stairs. "But think of the people who have furniture and no apartment. We have an apartment and no furniture. That's a real feat."

When we reached the little lobby downstairs, David took a card out of his wallet and put it in the little slot above the mailboxes: *Mr. and Mrs. David U. Herrmann*, eventually at home at Eight East Eighth Street.

We stood back and looked at it in silence.

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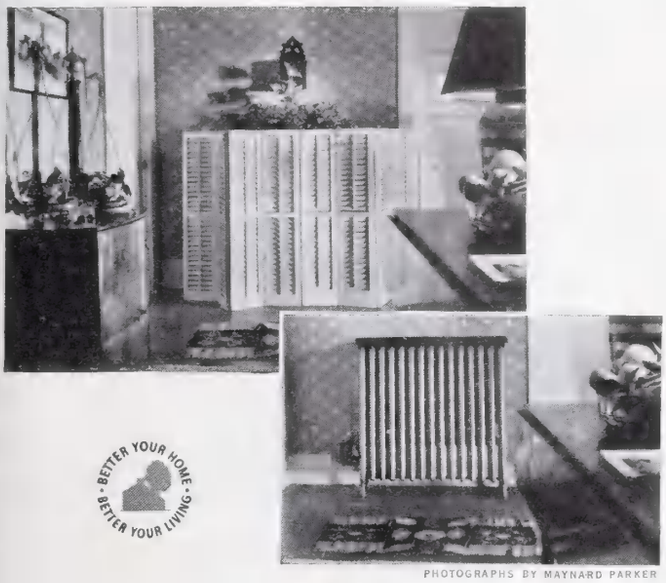
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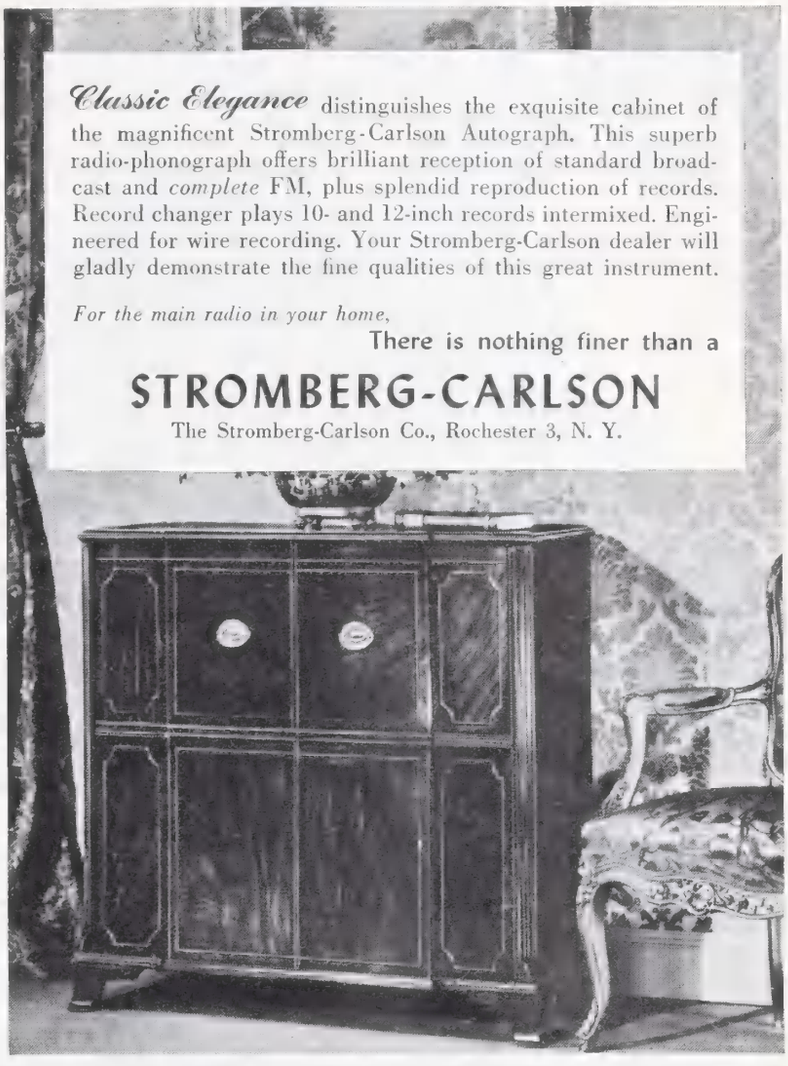
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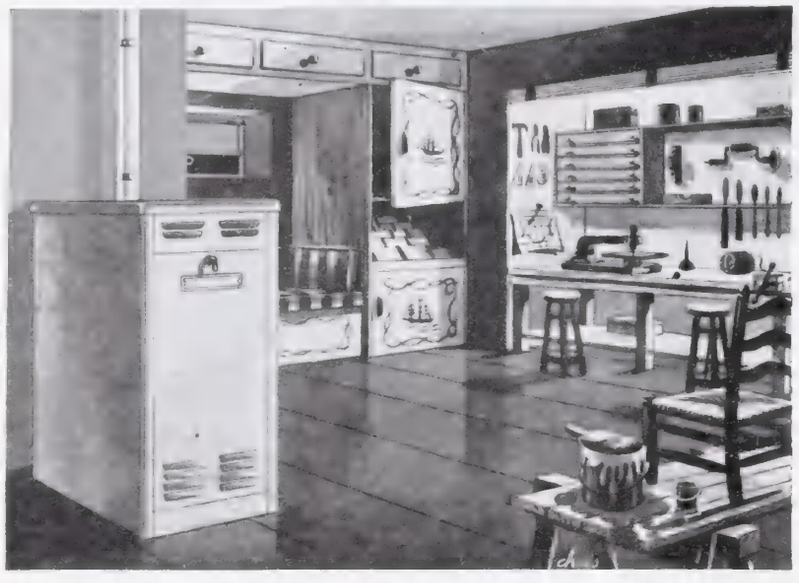
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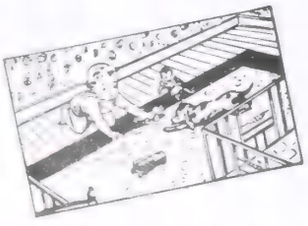
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YOUR FIRST DINNER PARTY

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exhibiting your grandest china, crystal and silver, restrain yourself until you have a score of entertaining service stripes to your credit. You've got plenty of time to work up to that super dinner. It's much better, we think, to serve one dish which tastes wonderful, and which everyone will remember, than to have an array of little courses.

Your one important dish can be a combination package containing all the vegetables and meat which would otherwise have to be cooked and served separately. Such a dish, plus a good salad, some kind of hot bread, and a dessert, the most untutored cook can manage without turning herself into a quivering, quaking wreck. Most of it can be prepared way ahead of time, a *must* for smooth entertaining.

WHAT we have in mind for this first dinner party is a Brunswick stew. It may not constitute party fare to you, but made according to our specifications, we think you can count on it to establish your reputation as a cook.

The best part of it is that the stew really *must* be made the day before to bring out the full flavor. That puts you way ahead of the game, for your major dish will need only reheating. And even if it takes until midnight the day before to put it together, you can sleep peaceably and calmly, for you'll know the biggest task is behind you.

When you plan something of the homespun variety for guests, pay special attention to how it is served. The traditional Brunswick stew is fairly thin and is usually served in soup dishes. Because we don't like a thin sauce with meandering tendencies, we thicken the stew if the bread crumbs called for haven't done the job sufficiently. And for a party, we prefer serving it in individual pottery casseroles. Then there's not a chance of the stew and salad mingling.

For your first course, an avocado and grapefruit cocktail, seasoned with a bit of rum, will be colorful on your table and lend an exotic note to the flavor of your meal. You can cut the segments from your grapefruit hours in advance. Pour the rum over the fruit and allow it to marinate until you are ready to serve it. All that remains for the last minute is the easy job of peeling and slicing the avocado.

To offset the softness of the stew, we think you'll like the crackling

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Food and Wines Editor, *Town & Count*



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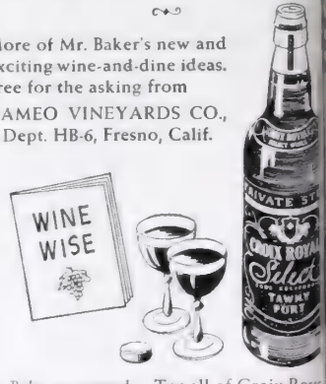
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The hot bread is rather coarse in texture and a little sweet—perfect, we think, with the stew.

And now to dessert! We've worked out as simple and uncomplicated a dessert as ever a novice was introduced to. Yet its oomph and character should please you. It has a crisp texture, a good chocolate flavor, can be made ahead of time, and is just a little different from the traditional ice cream, cake, or pie dessert.

Memo to brides: a dinner party to which you invite at least two couples is easier to manage than a foursome, because the guests can entertain each other while you're running things in the kitchen assisted by your husband.

Here's to a bright beginning.

Avocado and Grapefruit

2 large grapefruit or 30 segments of canned or frozen grapefruit
1 large avocado
2 tablespoons lime juice
2 tablespoons light rum
1 teaspoon sugar (omit if sweetened grapefruit are used)
3 tablespoons grapefruit juice

If you use fresh grapefruit, peel and halve them lengthwise in direction of segments. With a sharp paring knife, or grapefruit knife, slit the tops of the membrane pockets and carefully extract the grapefruit segments. Work over a dish to catch any juice drippings. Mix rum, lime juice, sugar, and grapefruit juice and pour over segments in a flat dish. Chill. Allow to soak in this marinade for two or three hours. About a half-hour before serving time, halve avocado, peel, remove pit, and slice lengthwise into quarter-inch slices. Sprinkling slices lightly with lime or lemon juice retards discoloration of avocado. Shortly before serving, arrange avocado slices and grapefruit segments in serving plates and pour marinade over servings. Serves 6.

Brunswick Stew

3 tablespoons bacon fat
1 4-to-5 lb. chicken (a nice plump one), disjointed
Salt and pepper
2 cups water
1 No. 2 can tomatoes
½ cup white wine
3 onions, sliced
½ teaspoon sugar
1 box small fresh or frozen lima beans
1 12-oz. can corn niblets, or 3 ears fresh corn, scraped
1 cup toasted bread crumbs
¼ lb. butter
1 teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper and Cayenne

Melt bacon fat in Dutch oven or cast-iron skillet. Brown chicken

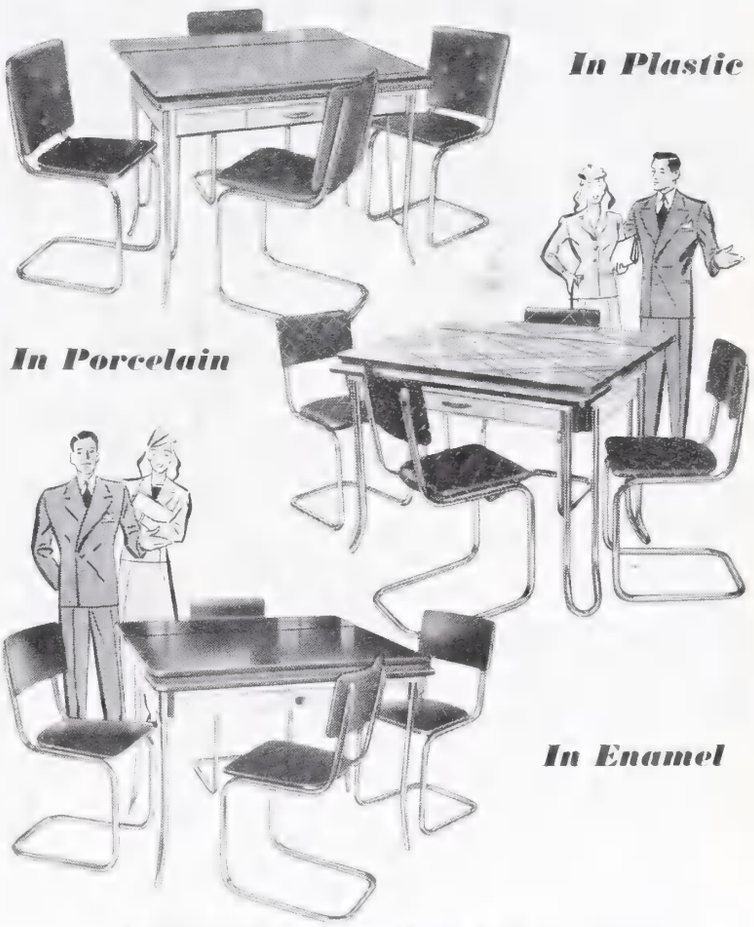
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pieces, which have been rubbed with salt and pepper, turning until brown all over. Add water, tomatoes, white wine, onions, and sugar. Stir. Cover skillet and cook over low fire until chicken is tender (1½ to 2 hours). Remove chicken from bones and return to pot. Add frozen lima beans and corn and cook about 30 minutes longer, or until beans are tender. Add toasted bread crumbs, salt, black pepper (add by degrees, tasting as you go) and some cayenne. This should be a fairly highly seasoned dish. If chicken is not particularly fat, you can add a little butter for richer flavor.

Make this dish a day ahead, so that flavors blend. In my opinion there is no comparison between the stew which stands in its own juices overnight, and that which is eaten immediately. The next day reheat the stew (first skimming off excess chicken fat). If sauce is runny, we thicken ours with a flour and water roux. Make the roux in a bowl or cup. Then add a little of the stew liquid to the roux. Stir and then pour into stew and cook until stew has thickened. Put stew into individual casseroles and heat thoroughly in a moderate oven. Serves 6 generously.

Sweet Cornbread

- 1 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 cup flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons bacon fat, melted
- 1 cup milk

Put cornmeal in bowl. Sift in flour, baking powder, and salt. Add sugar and blend. Then add egg, fat, and milk and mix well. Pour in greased 8-inch square pan. Bake about 20 minutes in 350° F. oven. Makes 16 squares.

Hearts of Spinach Sala

- 2 lbs. young tender spinach
- 1 bunch radishe
- 3 or 4 green on

Go over the spinach carefu setting aside the large leaves cooking. Use only the smaller, n tender leaves. Cut stems off lea Wash in at least three waters. in hydrator to crisp. Clean ishes. Put radishes and onion ice water. When ready to se dry greens and vegetables w Shred spinach with scissors. S radishes and onions quite thin. T with French Dressing. (There be extra dressing, but it's so g that you'll want it to last.) Serve

Dressing

- 1 clove garlic, cut in half
- 1 teaspoon grated onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon dry mustard
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- 1 tablespoon ca
- 1 tablespoon ch sauce
- ¼ teaspoon sug
- 8 tablespoons Wesson Oil
- 3 tablespoons vinegar

Put all in jar and shake w Allow to stand several hours.

Crisp Chocolate Meringu

- 3 egg whites
- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup chopped pecans
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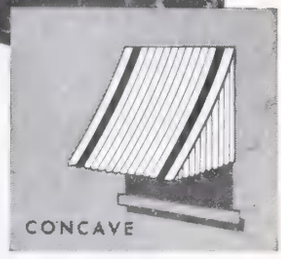


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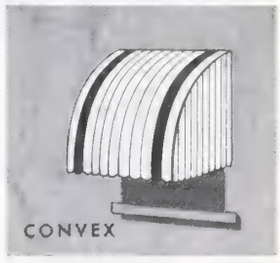


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from showier parts of the grounds, a naturalistic background of native shrubs, and partial shade—unless you plan to grow sun-loving field flowers or rock plants such as the rock rose, saxifrages, and silenes, or native evening primroses, butterfly-weed, and asters.

The flowers that you include in your surprise corner may lack the punch and show of tulips or iris, but you can use other devices to give the planting unity and added interest. These need be no more elaborate than a log bench, a low retaining wall of native stone, a small informal pool, a birdbath of a hollowed-out rock, or a stepping-stone path. The background of small trees and shrubs can consist largely of hemlocks, broadleaf evergreens, viburnums, and other shrubs that prefer partial shade—or whatever else naturalizes in your section of the country.

With the setting installed, that the soil is heavy with hur before planting any wildflow especially those that come from woods, where humus is a nor part of their life. If you have cess to a nearby forest, you bring in gobs of leafmold and w rotted crumbling stumps to add the topsoil. Otherwise, use p moss, which is humusy and gives acid reaction acceptable to m wildlings.

Don't plant your surprise cor in a hurry. It's better to reserv for flower personalities that learn to understand and love, of a gradual process with shy pla as it is with shy people.

You will surely want to incl that proud but amusing Jack the-pulpit and the painted trilli especially after seeing a flock flowers on a wooded hillside. A who can resist such charmers



● *Liatris spicata*, with purple spikes in midsummer, is happiest in a moist spot in the sun



● Bunchberry, a ground cover, has white "flowers," miniature versions of the tree dogwood's



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● You can easily make a surprise corner along a woodland path by clearing out enough of the underbrush to make room for choice favorites like Virginia bluebells and narcissi

t: little blue crested iris, shoot-; star, Virginia bluebells, Mari-sa lily, and harebells?

You will return from a spring p to the Great Smokies with the sire for a group of shortia in ır own garden. If you go to the ckies, you will want the lovely ıe columbine in a rocky crevice. you visit the Adirondacks, you'll inspired to have a little carpet bunchberry (*Cornus canaden-*), dwarf relative of flowering gwood.

If you live in the far South, you ll like to add to your planting me of the deliciously fragrant ite crinums, native bulbous ınts that grow between the ub and the water lines of inlets. California, you will be delight-to repeat the native baby-blue-es or nemophila in a garden d or to trail down the rocky out-ppings of your hillside garden.

Even in arid sections there are opportunities for choice plantings of dainty plants. Try, in the Great Plain area, sand lily (*Leucocrinum montanum*), yellow violet, spider-wort, and blazing star (*Liatris punctata*) against a background of prickly poppy, bush morning glory (*Ipomoea leptophylla*), and yucca.

Dainty plants from other lands belong here too—the petite petti-coat daffodil from southern France, plumed grape hyacinth from Sicily, primroses from all parts of the temperate zone, and many others.

Even if you never stray far from home, the woods but a stone's throw from your own garden can offer in-spiration—for instance, your first glimpse of some dainty anemones in full bloom. In short, the flowers you will plant in your surprise cor-ner are those that revive each sea-son your cherished moments of plant discovery and devotion.

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● Blue poppy, *Meconopsis bailey*, is a Chinese wildflower worth the trouble it takes to grow it



● Showy ladyslipper, *Cypripedium spectabile*, does and looks well with ferns in partial shade

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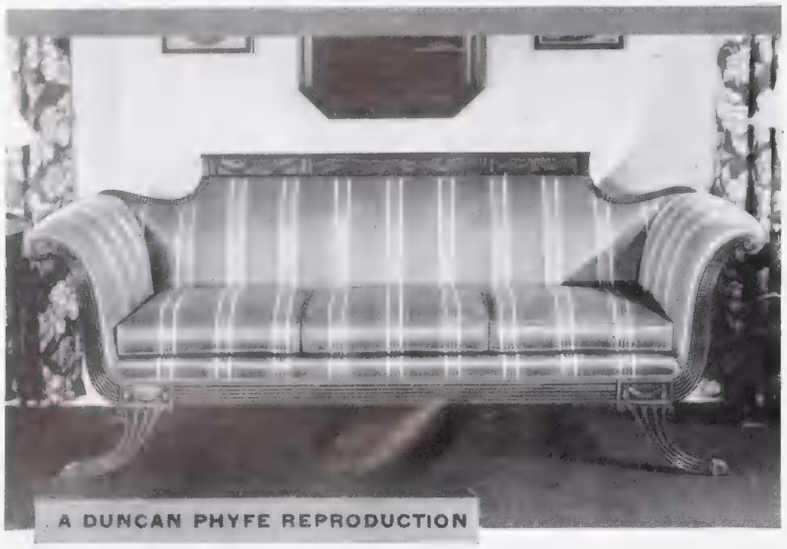
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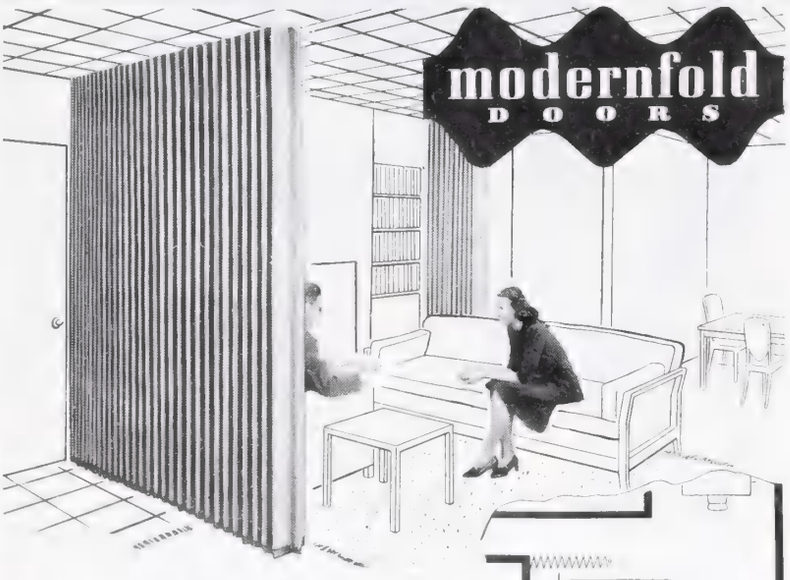
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● A breakfast bar built against any kitchen wall means not only a spot for meals, but also always-needed extra kitchen work surface. Notice that all the space under the bar is used for seats. George Wellington Stoddard was the architect.

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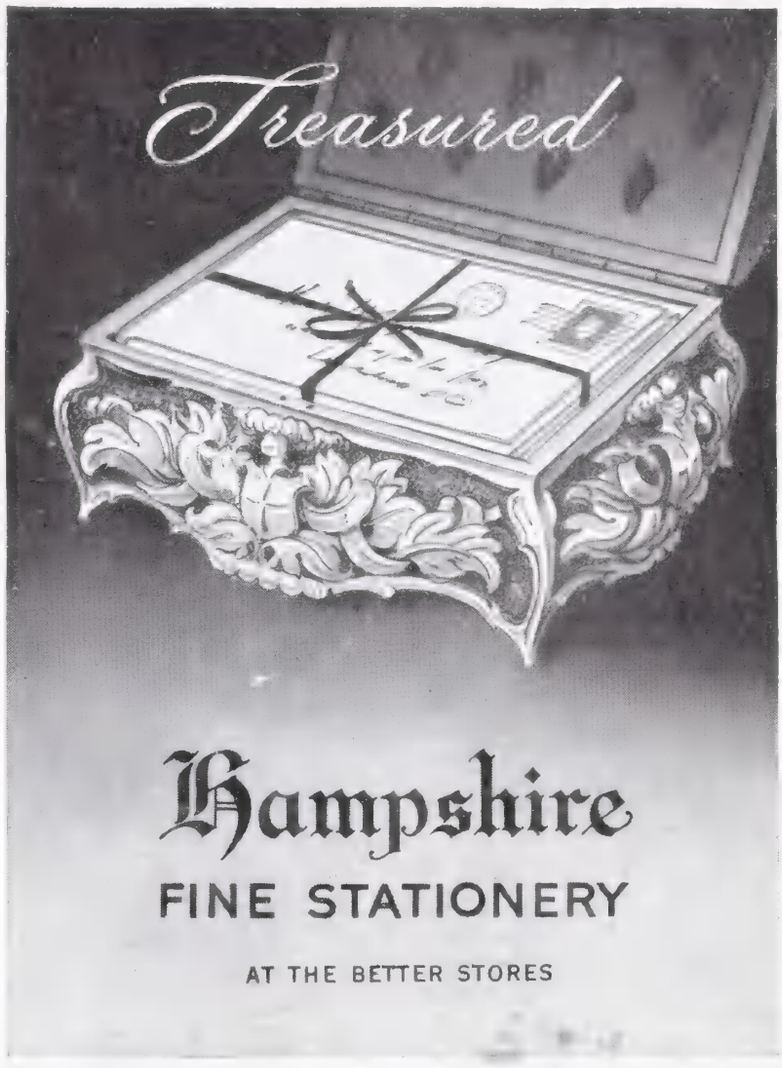
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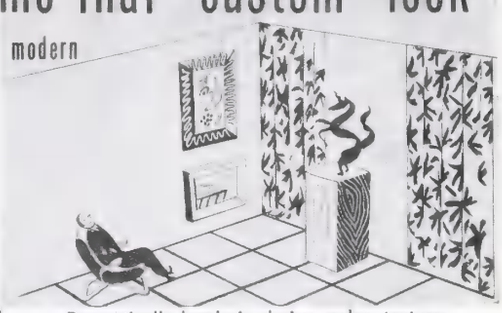
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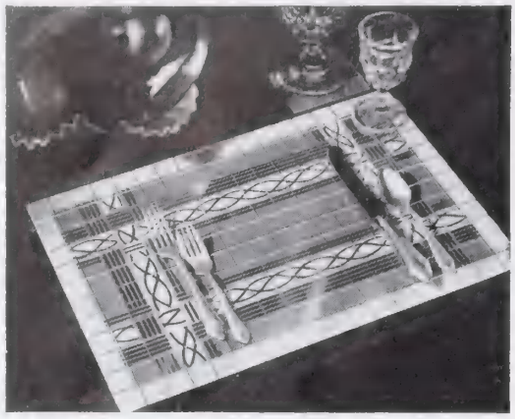
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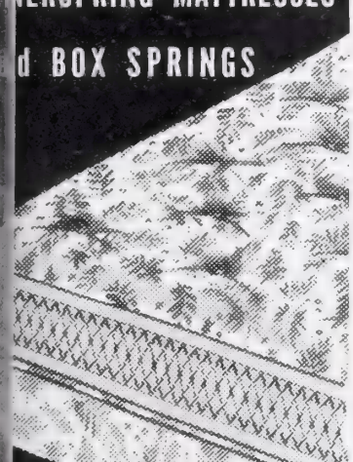
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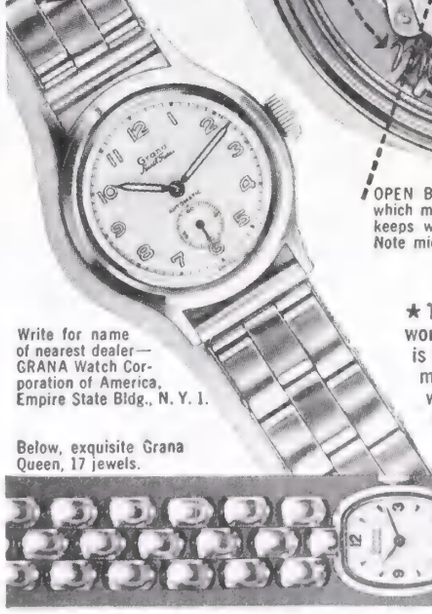
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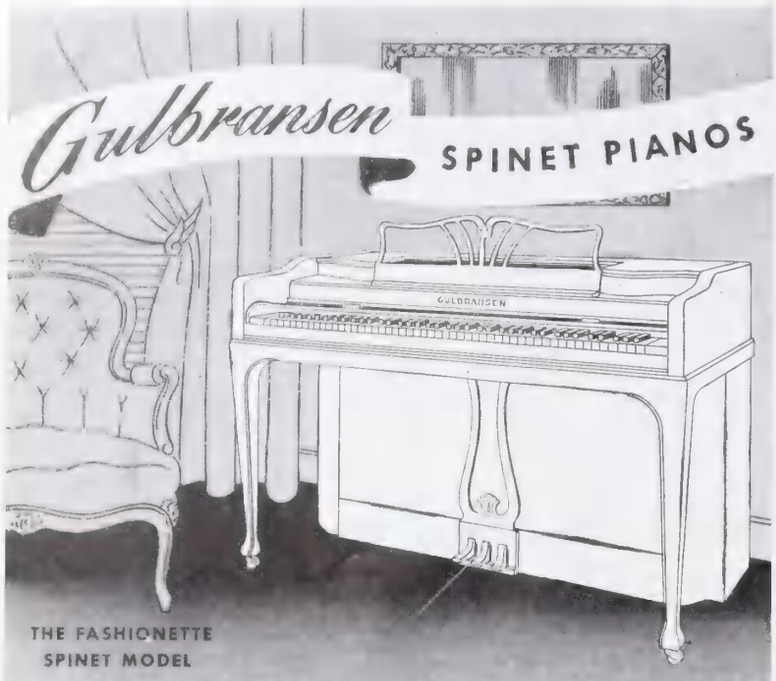
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THE HAPPIEST MOMENT

By Jean Tigar

Yesterday I read a few pages of a magazine that offers prizes for versions of "The Happiest Moment of My Life." Some fairly ecstatic moments were described, but I think none of them could hold a candle to mine.

The thing that led up to my happiest moment began some time before. I had often tried to convince my husband that we should sell the house we owned and rent a cottage. It was my theory that people like us should never be owners. When the owner can't make repairs himself, he should not *be* an owner. Of course, the fact that ours was a two-family house had a lot to do with my reasoning. Because we were the landlords, the rented upstairs was always kept in good repair while the downstairs, where we lived, fell to pieces.

Flats were plentiful and cheap at the time. If you didn't keep the apartment decorated and in good repair for your tenants, somebody else would, and every time you got new tenants you made more repairs.

In the end, though, our moving was really not of our own volition. The upstairs floor had rented originally for $80, but by the time we departed it was renting for $35. This meant that our own rent was too high, a fact which finally cost us the house.

I tried awfully hard to be sorry, but the place was getting too small for us anyhow. And now that houses were easy to rent, I hoped I could find one where they would decorate to suit me. I fancied myself wheedling extras from my landlord the way the ladies upstairs had constantly wheedled extras from us.

I don't know how it happened and I can't explain it. The month before it had seemed to me that every house we passed had a "For Rent" sign out in front, but the Sunday we started to look, there wasn't one in sight. We drove up and down every street in every desirable location, but overnight all the people who had doubled up and made renting easy had undoubled and made renting hard. After the first day of searching, we drove back home disappointed, discouraged, and put out with each othe
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when he *could* have sold it an
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for rent were a dime a dozen.

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band. They didn't wish to alarm
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stand by and allow his wife to b
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right mind would rent tenants
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that money in for fixing it up, too
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away; and then the movers had t
move us ten days ahead of time

I told my father his fears were
groundless. Why try to buy thi
house and have to shoulder the
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o[r]? It was unthinkable. When [t]ought of what I had gone [th]gh each time our other house [h]d something I vowed that *no* [o]e would ever be worth owning. [I]ven quieted my father's fears [r]ight Susan told him that Mr. [N]n had stopped by with a beau[t]lady. I was downtown at the [h] and Susan let them in and [s]d them around. The beautiful [d] thought Susan's room was sim[p]arling. She loved the wooden [c]in canopy that had cost me [a]nd that I felt was worth put[t]n a rented house because you [n]lways renew a lease.

I [a]ssured Dad that the beautiful [l]e was Mr. Nelson's wife, and [t]he had brought her over just [t]ow her what a tenant can [d] she cares.

[T]e day the carpenter finished [i]erting the dining room dish [c]t into a built-in break-front [$]50 and worth it for the same [a]n that Susan's canopy was [w]t it), a carful of people drove [a]nd parked, walked around the [h]e, stood talking in front of it [t]hen drove away.

[T]AT evening my husband [b]ought home the lease which [M]Nelson had finally got around [t]aving at his office. It was defi[n]e the wrong kind of lease. A [l] is supposed to be a protec[t]ours was a protection for [e]body but us. I couldn't under[s]d everything in it. But I could [u]rstand that it said I had to [v]the house whenever "they" [a]ed me to, that I had to vacate [t]irty days if "they" found a [b]r.

[I] sat right down and I wrote a [l]r to Mr. Roosevelt. I told him [h]fond of him I had always been, [t]hat I couldn't believe he knew [w] was going on. I read it over, [t]ed. I tore it up. I called my [h]r. For good measure, I even [c]d my father-in-law.

[T]he next day a family confer[e] was held. The boys decided [t]would simply have to make [a]n" an offer for the house. [N]r, I said. Over my dead body. [I] *die* before I'd buy a house. [D]t about all the expenses when [b]egins to go bad? What about [s]ng to wait and wait and *wait* [u]l you can afford to do things [t]e the things that need doing [a]worse and worse? I felt [i]culous from another stand[p]t, too. "They' were asking [$]0 more than my husband's top figure, and putting in a bid would simply be a waste of time. All right then, my husband said, that settled it. If I felt that way about it, we'd let it slide. So we let it slide.

One afternoon a few weeks later a nice young couple rang the bell. They'd been sent by such and such an agency and could they see the house? After they saw the downstairs, I told them to go right on up and I went to finish baking.

I couldn't bake. I came back to the reception hall and I stood there listening. Mrs. Looker thought Susan's room would be marvelous. She began to place her furniture and I began to hate her.

I GOT out my notebook and I started to list all the things I felt they should know about. The cellar was damp. The place needed storm windows. But when they came down, I didn't say a word. I was afraid the list would do the same to them that it had, in one swift moment, done to me. I was afraid they'd think that if *those* were the most serious drawbacks, they ought to grab the house in a hurry.

Whatever had made me so emphatic about not wanting to own it anyway? Not only were none of the necessary things very costly, but I could use my own money to build a linen closet in that jog and to make a linoleum slipcover for the tub. How could one person possibly have been so stupid? Why hadn't I let my husband put in a bid when he wanted to? Now Mr. and Mrs. Looker, who knew a good thing when they saw it, would probably get their offer in first. Maybe they were even willing to pay every penny that was asked.

Tearfully, I called my husband to tell him about the prospective owners as soon as they drove away. I begged him to get whomever you get on the wire immediately and to offer as much as he possibly could. I didn't want to move. I didn't *want* any other house. Suddenly all I wanted with all my heart was to own this one. "Calm yourself, woman," my husband said. "The deal went through this morning. The day after we had that family conference, I made them an offer. They came down a little and I came up a little, but I didn't say anything to you because your father made me promise not to tell you we'll have to do our own fixing."

As I said in the beginning, if anybody ever had a happier moment, I don't believe it.

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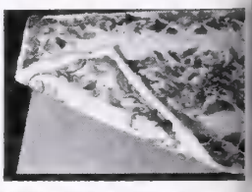
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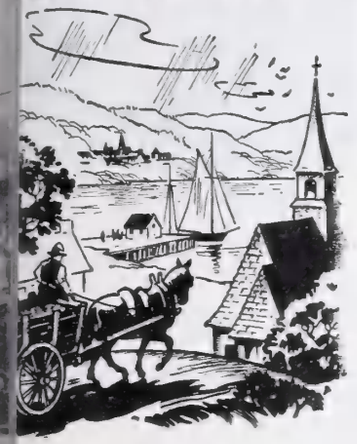
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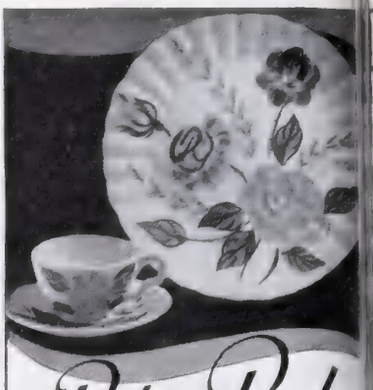


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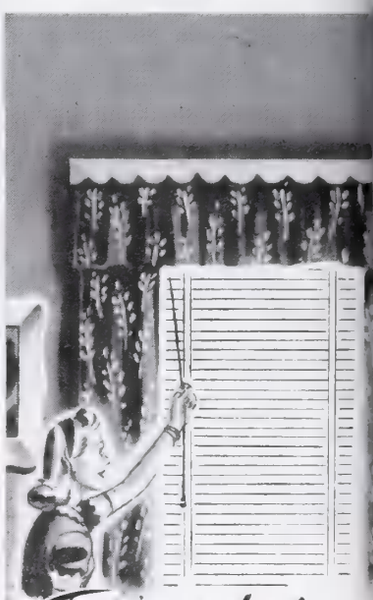
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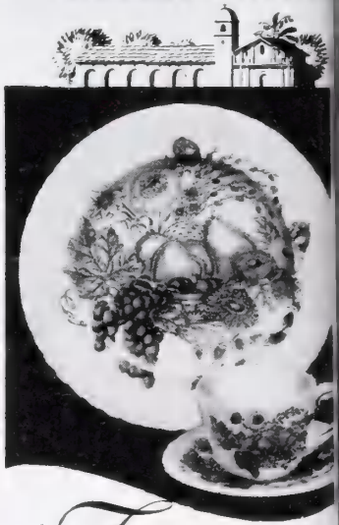
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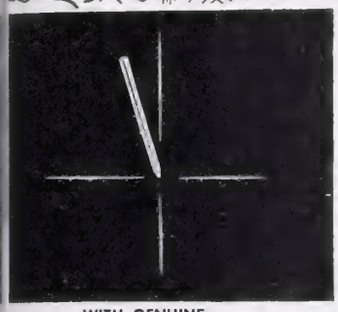
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You'll find Withington's Tops-All Sliced Bacon a tasty and handy pantry-shelf item for the city as well as the summer cottage. Foremost among its virtues is the fact that it's *sugar-cured*, and sugar-cured bacon is hard to find these days, in or out of a can. The bacon pushes out of the can in perfect generous-sized strips, and grills like a dream. You'll find its sweet, nutty flavor hard to beat, even in the best butcher-shop varieties. It comes in a 1½-pound can, for under $1.75, at Vendome, 415 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. If you have any doubts about really fine bacon coming out of a can, here's one that will quickly dispel them.

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If you're looking for something different and definitely "lush" in the way of soup fare, Bon Vivant's Lobster Bisque is a delectable answer. It's the kind of soup that isn't frequently home-cooked because it tends to be somewhat time-consuming, which makes it an especially appealing number for your pantry shelf. It's deliciously concocted of cream, milk, lobster meat, butter and spices, and comes out of the can creamy rich and velvet-smooth, ready for heating in the double-boiler. You serve it "as is" or you can add a tablespoon or two of heavy cream if you want it extra rich. We found that a tablespoon of good dry Sherry, added just before serving, made this bisque real epicurean fare. Each can contains two generous servings—three if you stretch it a bit. Three cans for about $1.50 (plus postage) at Charles & Co., 340 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

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The main feature of the garden is a large grass panel, 70 feet wide, with dozens of beds of roses that give a breath-taking sweep of color in June. You will want to inspect each bed because here are represented the best of the modern Hybrid Tea roses.

If you are overwhelmed by the very number of roses in the main display, you will find contrast in another section of the grounds where charming plantings have been developed purposely to give you ideas for your own small garden. These include not only the modern roses, but also the old-fashioned types beloved by gardeners for centuries.

To accommodate the thousands of gardeners who attend the Festival of Roses, an amphitheatre is being developed on a hill which slopes up from the garden. Already finished is the administration building containing a large room for meetings and demonstrations.

The ground work of the new Jackson & Perkins Company's garden, though now obvious only in the fine bloom that results, should be of interest to all gardeners who plan to set out roses this season. Because of an underlying layer of hardpan, which was impervio water, a twelve-inch main was through the center of the ga with laterals of four-inch tile a its entire length. All beds wer cavated to a depth of approxi ly 24 inches. About five inch gravel was then added, tog with a single line of four-inch running through the center o bed. Vertical arms extend to surface of the ground so tha beds can be watered individ by placing a garden hose in th at ground level.

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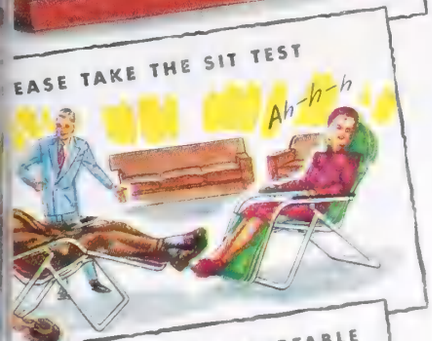
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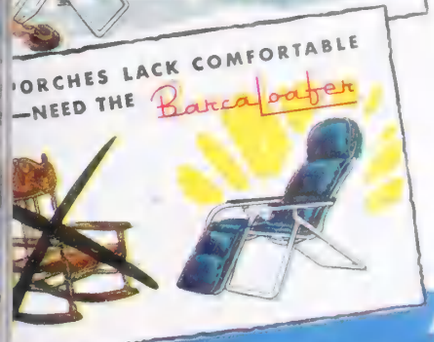


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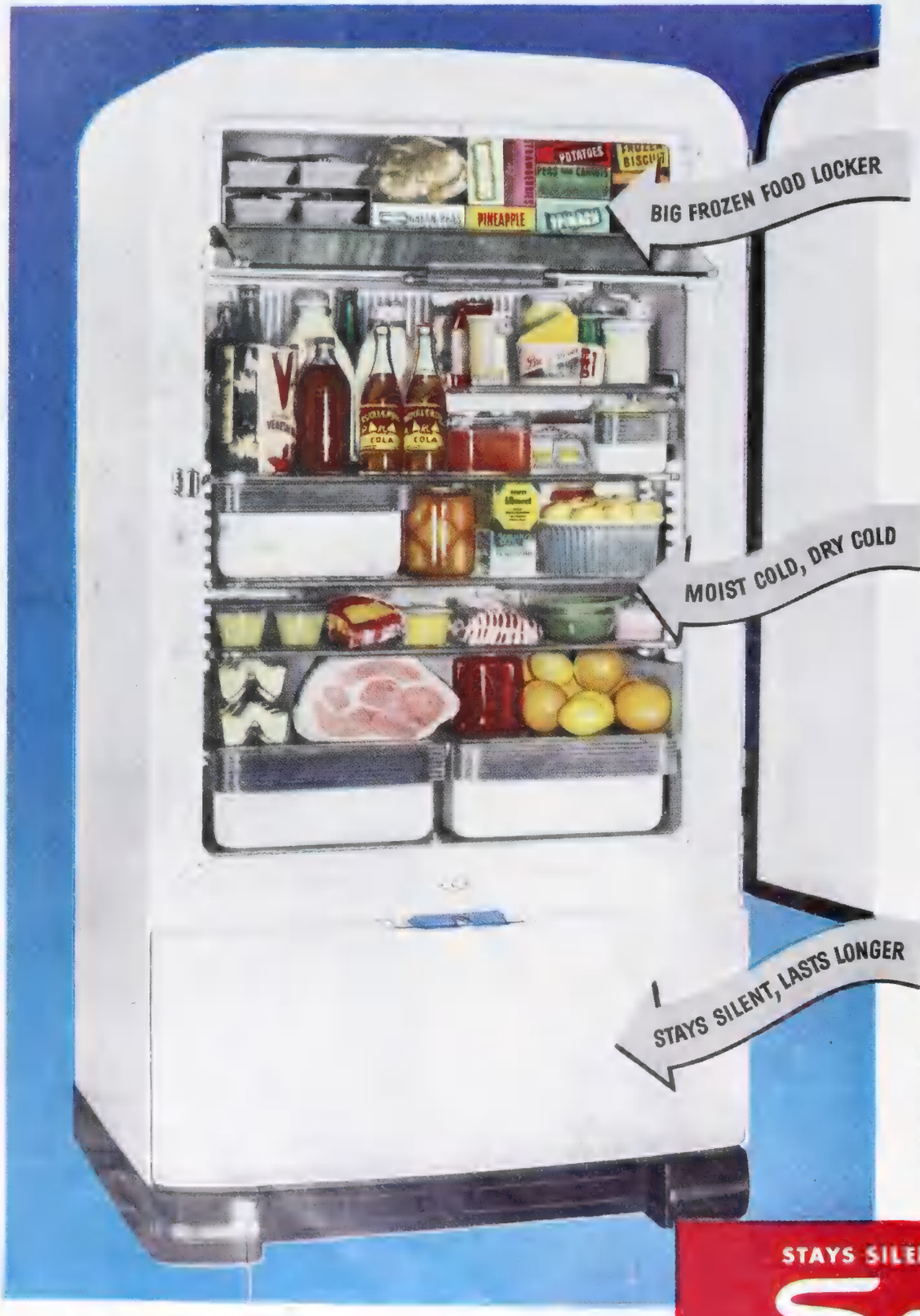
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GARDEN BOOKS WORTH READING

By De Ette B. Jacobs

Dorothy Jenkins' book, *Around the Garden* (M. Barrows & Company, New York. 1947. $2.50), takes us around the year as well, with a chapter for each month and a division for each week in the month. This is good arrangement for a book filled with a multitude of suggestions on all phases of growing flowers and vegetables and house plants.

The experienced, and especially the philosophical gardener, has learned that gardening is a steady occupation or diversion or dissipation—or whatever its devotees choose to call it. He knows that summer flowers are the result of winter planning, fall fruit sets after spring spraying, beautiful winter evergreen effects are the result of long past planting and watering and mulching. He knows that daffodils will not arise in April from ground in which no bulbs were ever planted.

The gardening novice, on the other hand, impatient for results, wants to buy his perennials in full bloom, considers the lilies but not the soil in which they grow, and pulls up the last row of beans with no thought of cover crop to endow their successors. He tidily, but mistakenly, burns his autumn leaves, believing that with the last bonfire, gardening is a closed book until next year.

Around the Garden will jog the memory of the experienced gardener and it will convince the novice that gardening is a year-long pleasure and occupation, whether the tools used be book and pencil or spade and hoe. It will aid both in achieving results. The foreword speaks of "the time when man, the hunter, learned to sow and to reap, certainly his most lasting achievement and perhaps his greatest." Who knows? She may be right.

Grounds for Living, edited by Richard B. Farnham and Van Wie Ingham (Rutgers University Press, New Brunswick, N. J., 1946, $2.50), is a thoughtful book. Eight experts have contributed chapters on their respective fields of garden knowledge. The titles of these experts, Plant Pathologists, Research Specialists, Professors of Horticulture, Agricultural Engineers, and Extension Specialists, are so imposing as to lead a timid reader to expect a book beyond the amateur's comprehension. This fear is unrealized, for each title holder has succeeded in presenting his subject in language that is entirely understandable by one who wishes to give really serious consideration to making the most of his home site.

The writers have stated the problems involved in making grounds livable, and they have worked out the answers. It is a book that will be read with interest and kept for reference, for no one could digest all at once all of the material which it contains, or could remember half the instructions, which he realizes, as he reads, that he is going to need at some future time.

The professors have given us Latin names in good measure, but only in places where the intelligent gardener has learned the value of using them, that is, in the lists which give the botanical as well as common names of plants recommended. There are also lists of reference books, enough to afford a generous extension course on making the home grounds livable.

Pay Dirt, by J. I. Rodale (The Devin-Adair Company, New York. 1945. $3.00), is absorbing reading—and fuel for the fires of controversy regarding the author's stand that the use of chemical

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fertilizers, far from being beneficial, is actually harmful to the land. Mr. Rodale believes that a "fertile soil is one to which nature's law of return has been faithfully applied, so that it contains an adequate amount of freshly prepared humus, made in the form of compost from both vegetable and animal wastes." With the exception of lime, he would have us use no minerals whatever.

The reader may or may not be completely converted to this belief, but he will be in accord with much of what Mr. Rodale says about the value of compost, and he will most certainly agree that our country is at present faced with a very critical problem in the matter of soil conservation. It is important for the owner of even the small place to realize that by composting materials that would otherwise be wasted and using them to improve his own garden he is playing a part in conserving natural wealth.

The Encyclopedia of Trees, Shrubs, Vines and Lawns for the Home Garden, by Albert Wilkinson (The New Home Library, Philadelphia, 1946, $1.00), is a book which will be well-thumbed before it is well-aged. It contains an alphabetical list of trees, shrubs, and vines, with common and botanical names and a short description of each which would be helpful supplementary reading to one who was poring over the nursery catalogs. It also gives information on the selection, planting, and care of these three classes of plants, as well as of lawns. There is need for such a concise book to answer the multitude of gardening questions which will arise with each of the many new homes now being built.

Geraniums we think we know, but what are pelargoniums? Helen Van Pelt Wilson explains the difference clearly in the opening chapter of her book, *Geraniums, Pelargoniums* (M. Barrows & Company, New York, 1946, $2.75), and then says that she is going to call them all geraniums, just as every one of us has from childhood. This is a disarming introduction to a book which leads us from memories of an old and loved favorite to consideration of new varieties.

Brought to England from South Africa by Dutch and English navigators in the early seventeen hundreds, "people took to geraniums and geraniums took to people." The 163 species listed in an 1859 book on the subject had grown in 1912 to 232, and a check list compiled in 1945 exceeded four thousand species and varieties. Certainly geraniums have "taken."

This is a book for enjoyment both in text and illustration, but it contains, nevertheless, much detailed information on the growing of geraniums of all types, information carefully prepared and well presented.

In *Dwarf Fruit Trees*, by I. B. Lucas (De La Mare Garden Books, New York, 1946, $3.00), the author says that "the subject of dwarf fruit trees is unfamiliar to most people and riddled with misconception . . . in every way the dwarf is better than the standard for the home garden . . . the advice for growing dwarfs is not identical with that for standards and is much more simple."

He gives descriptions of dwarf fruit trees, the method of grafting to produce them, and the root stock used, factors interesting even to the layman, as are the line drawings and photographic illustrations. His rules for procedure and his enthusiasm for his subject are backed by success in growing a thousand dwarf fruit trees at his own Ontario home. A thousand trees on slightly less than an acre! A real feat!

The Gardener's Bug Book, by Dr. Cynthia Westcott (American Garden Guild, Inc., and Doubleday & Doran, New York, 1946, $4.95) is a complete list of insect ills which beset garden plants and the remedies with which to combat them. It is a large book, copiously illustrated, and it would be the most discouraging of all garden literature were it not for the philosophy of the author, who is a real gardener, even as you and I.

Dr. Westcott quotes the Bible to prove that there have always been destructive insects, but shows that all insects are not destructive, that no one has to combat all of the harmful ones at any one time, and that nature or garden sanitation will take care of some of the pests without the need of sprays or dusts. That clears the way for considering the ones which we do have to cope with. Unfortunately the list of these is long, but the measures for their control are carefully outlined.

This is strictly a reference book, but before the owner puts it away on a shelf for consultation in time of trouble, he will undoubtedly read with interest the chapters of general information on insects, on garden chemicals, and on spraying, dusting, and fumigating.



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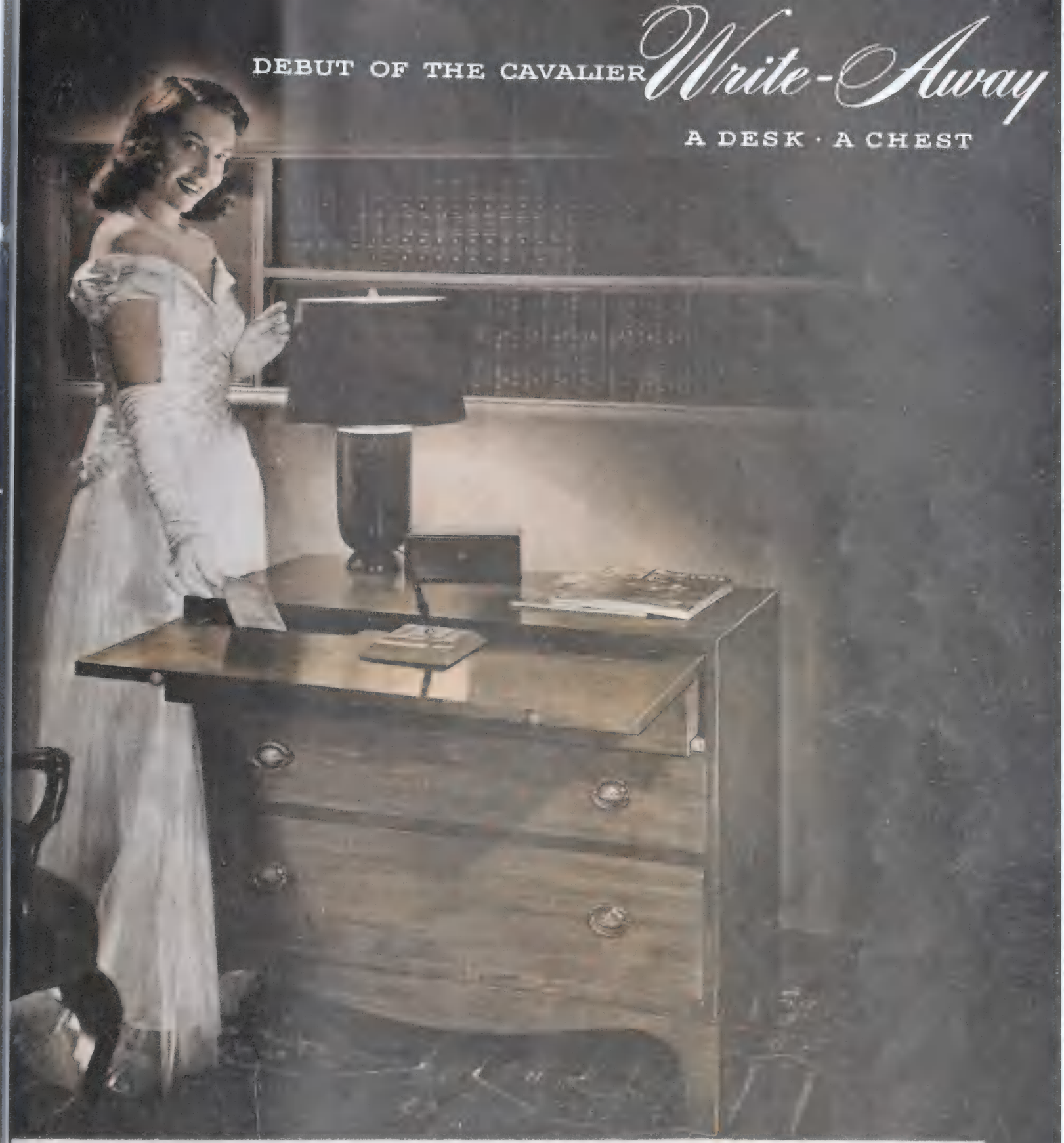
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● Here spattered paint doubles for carpeting, harmonizes with the hooked rugs below, and emphasizes the simple and handsomely designed balustrade

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GIVING GOOD GIFTS

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They do not want to be embarrassed by being presented with something they know the sender could not afford. Who is not touched when he receives a badly scrawled five-cent birthday or Christmas card from the old cook who was part of the household for many years? The card may be one of those atrocities, with a printed motto, banal in sentiment and worse in artistry. But this is not what we see when we look at it. We see that Lottie still thinks of us fondly. That is what we read on the tinseled sheet and that is what is gratifying.

The prime requisite of an acceptable gift is imagination. If we know people well enough to send them a present we certainly should know them well enough to have some notion of the kind of thing which they will enjoy.

If a man or woman appreciates good food it is easy. One does not have to buy and send a whole smoked turkey or five pounds of caviar. A loaf of superfine homemade cake—or even a loaf of good homemade bread—half a pound of unusual tea will be welcomed. If you live in Florida, a box of mangoes will be a treat to a household in the north. If you live in Vermont, a can of maple syrup or sugar is sure fire. Even rich people have palates and stomachs.

A book is often the best present of all: not any book, not necessarily an expensive book, or even a this-year's book, but one which your friend may not have seen, but which you, having read it first, think she will like.

There are always a few choice biographies, or some slim volumes of poems or essays, or novels whose delicate quality kept them from being best sellers but which, f that very reason, will delight reader of discrimination. I ha given Edward Benson's *All Abo Lucia* to innumerable convales ing friends (feminine friends never ventured with masculi ones) and every time it has help to while away amusingly ma otherwise boring hours. The bo is now out of print, but if you c locate a copy, its value as a gift that much greater. It may be b not to inscribe a book whose futu possessor lives in a trunk or small apartment. There is nev enough room for books in eith place, so your uninscribed gi after it has been read and enjoye can be passed along.

It is easy to say of wealthy pe ple, "Oh, they have everything Not so easy to remember that the like everyone else in this worl can never have too much affectio And, again like everyone else this world, they are pleased with tangible expression of it.

To give a present is to give a l tle portion of yourself—of yo thoughtfulness, your taste, yo purse, but chiefly of your imagin tion. These are the ingredients a good gift. We like to receive su presents ourselves. So, we may sure, do our friends.

Even if they are rich, they a still our friends, or at least plea ant acquaintances. And even they are rich, they are still peopl







I had 5 good reasons for buying a BENDIX

You can count them for yourself. And if you have youngsters you'll know what I mean.

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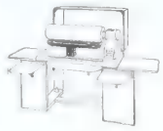
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● This street façade was not disturbed when the Blanks added a rear wing for their new children. The projecting garage at the right suggests some possible future expansion

Growing Family With A Grief-Proof House

Many houses can be expanded as the family increases, and you can childproof the decorations without sacrificing good looks

Fortunately, the addition of a room may not always be a major operation, for many houses *can* be stretched. When Mr. and Mrs. Martin Blank of Westwood Hills, California, were told that their baby would be twins, their architect, John Byers, lessened the blow. He added an extra upstairs bedroom over their downstairs maid's room, formerly a one-story wing. To boot, he provided for the necessary additional bathroom over existing plumbing installations.

The floor plan below shows how it was done. Many small houses have projecting wings—garages, kitchens, laundries—which lend themselves to such treatment.

While the construction was going on, the Blanks redecorated. See illustrations on opposite page.





● Decorator George Hall pleased the parents with traditional furnishings and provocative colors, but chose easy-to-clean printed fabrics which are fairly impervious to young fry



● Soil is not highlighted in this room. Busy pattern of hooked rugs and quilted chair seat foil smudges. The antique card table is really used for games

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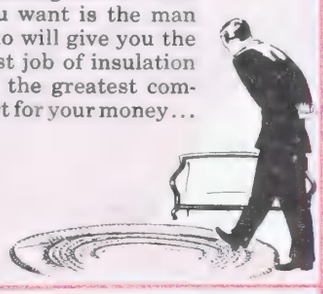


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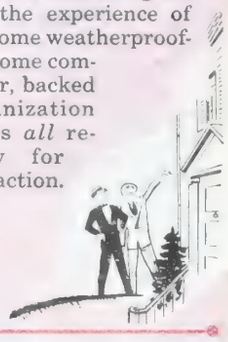
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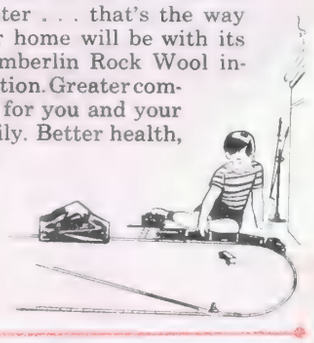
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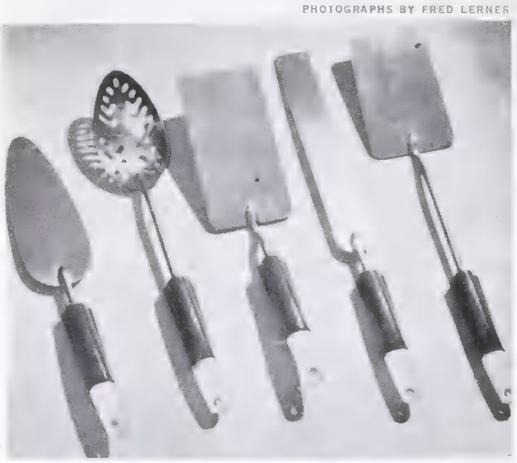


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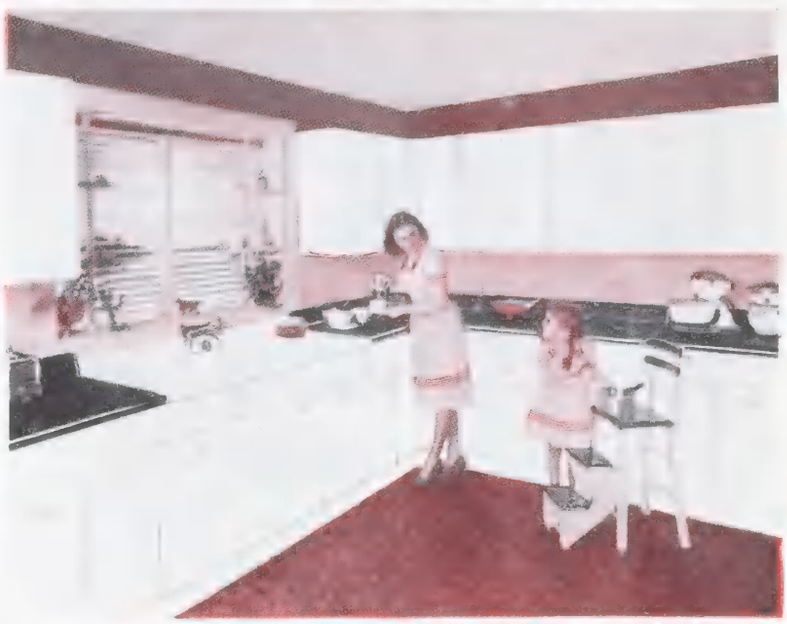
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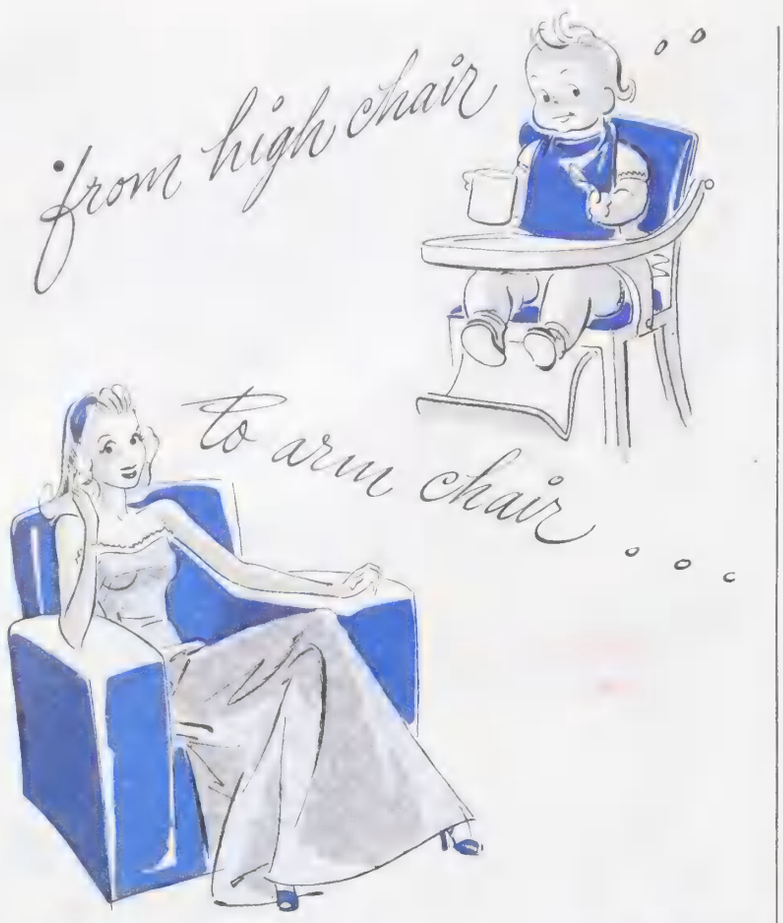


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● Another version of the bed-sitting room possibilities of adaptable "California Manor" designing. Note high styling of officer's chair and unusual cowhide inserts in panels of chest. Barker Bros.

BOTH BEAUTIFUL AND PRACTICAL

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American home furnishings scene. It is typical of the good work being done in California in architecture and decorating, and confirms the growing theory that the West Coast is to become to the home arts what Paris was for so many years (and may be again) to the apparel arts.

Jane Ellis, who conceived "California Manor" and who is responsible for organizing it, styling it, and co-ordinating it as a merchandise program, says: "We wanted to do a group that would express the life that is indigenous to California—the life that is free, easy, informal, that cares more for the comfort of oneself than for making a pretentious show for the neighbors.

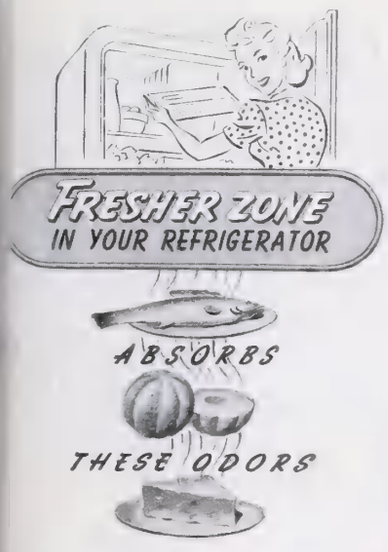
"Since everyone always thinks of California in terms of ceramics, we thought we should make an important use of it. Hence the pottery dishes, the fine china, the ceramic inlays, the ceramic pulls. I also felt we should steer clear of the typical flower motif in the fabric prints. That device has become pretty trite by now, and was never really Californian, but belonged more to Hawaii or the Isla

"I have also always felt Modern furniture lacked dec tion. That if it were to be a las style it needed more orname tion and more texture. This I th we have accomplished without ing ginger-bready or 'moderni We have managed to give funct al furniture a colorful war

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In case, from all the emph on California, you think that furniture was designed and is suitable for use on the West C you will find that it has cross-c try appeal. It is as compat with contemporary houses in C necticut or Georgia as with blue skies at "Sky Harbor" in Santa Monica mountains.

[*Editor's Note:* There were c lated programs before the war others have been launched si "California Manor" is the most clusive to date.]



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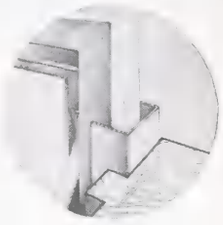
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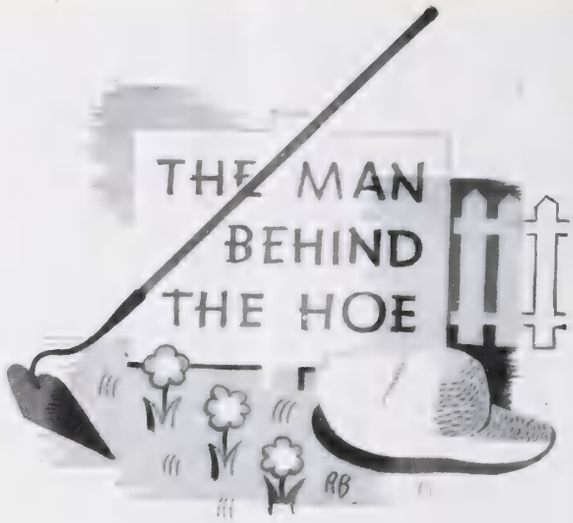
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You will also be making succession sowings of beets, lettuce, snap beans, and other crops that may or may not last into the fall, depending upon how fast the family eats them. There is still time, too, to sow a late crop of sweet corn. Quick-maturing varieties, such as Marcross and Golden Cross Bantam, should be chosen.

June sowing differs from April sowing because the soil is now dried out. Instead of taking a chance on too much moisture, as in the spring, you may have to take measures to insure enough.

One way to do this with cabbages and other plants to be transplanted is by sowing in the controlled conditions of a cold frame. You can thoroughly water the soil in the frame a few hours before sowing seed. After sowing, keep the frame darkened for a few days until seeds start to germinate. If, during germination or after, a heavy shower comes up, you can easily protect the seeds by closin the top of the frame.

Beets sometimes germinate sp radically, especially in dry weathe You can get a more uniform stan if, after sowing and covering th corky seed kernels, you walk t to heel along the rows. This wi press the soil firmly against th kernels and break them so the release the two or three seeds tha each contains.

In very dry weather it's best t moisten the soil first, before yo sow seed. Boards placed over th rows after sowing will hold i enough moisture to cause the seed to germinate. But peek under th boards more often than once a da so you can remove them as soon a the seedlings break through.

We can't wear all our finery t one dinner party, nor can we gro every type of fruit in one yar The Florida gardener, especiall is in a quandary, with a choice o peaches, plums, figs, limes, loquat oranges, bush fruits, and man other mouth-watering items. It fun to try them all, but remembe that each needs a different spray ing program, and that each i going to cast shade and occup space that may eventually squeez out all your ornamental plants.

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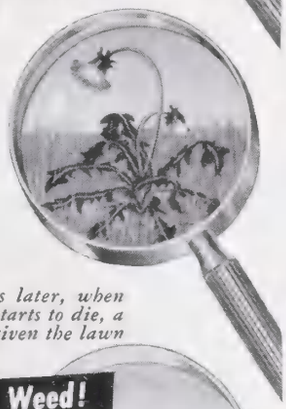
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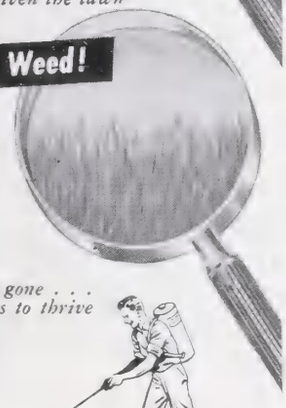
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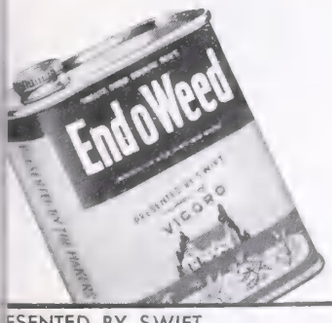
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Many northern gardeners have learned, too, to take advantage of newer varieties of fruits and vegetables that mature in shorter seasons, are relatively frost-resistant, or bear at a time when flowers or fruits will not be frosted.

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Plant your melons or cucumbers in a circle about a foot from the rim of the keg. All watering is to be done by allowing the water to run into the keg and to seep out into the hill through the holes. To feed your plants, fill the keg with cow manure or sheep manure and water in the usual manner. A simple top will keep out flies.

All variations upon this scheme are effective. In the absence of manures, small amounts of complete fertilizers may be used, but they must be kept stirred as the water seeps out. You will not need a long row of weedy cucumbers, for the vines live almost indefinitely this way through heat and drought, and produce an unbelievable crop. Bugs can be handled in the concentrated space with relative ease, too, and, with this compact planting, there will not be much weeding to do.

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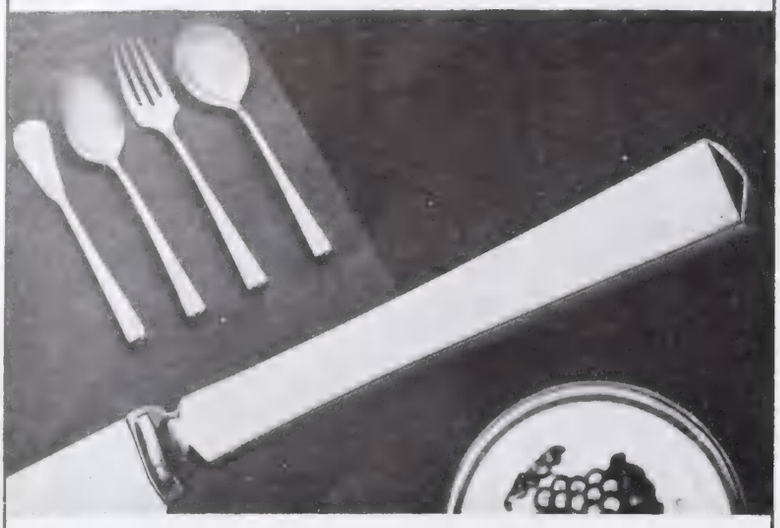
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A Flower Arranger's Calendar For JUNE

By Mrs. Anson Howe Smith

In the Garden

1. "As the twig is bent, so shall e tree incline." As the annuals e tended in June—pinched back, l, watered, cultivated, staked, d sprayed—so shall the cutting rden reward your vases in July, igust, and September.

2. Lately I have discovered that *ucca filamentosa* is valuable for rangement. One can use the tip a spike—two blossoms and the pmost bud—as "focal" in a mod-ate-size arrangement, and fasci-ted arrangers will say, "What *is* ?" The foliage, too, is useful, par-ularly with iris, as it has the me form and color as iris foliage, t more character. For the same ason it adds interest to an ar-ngement of gladioli. So it is not bad idea, even if yucca does not into your garden picture, to have few plants hidden away some-here for cutting only.

3. Testaceum lilies, either in se or garden border, make a more usual combination with delphin-ms than the lovely, but more miliar, Madonna lilies. They have sleek, waxy texture and their ex-isite apricot-buff color brings out e beauty of all the blues there e in the rainbow.

4. There are several varieties of llow hemerocallis with bronze reaks. There are also bronze over-nes in pink gas plant (*Dictam-s fraxinella*). Both bloom in ne. What could be more logical d satisfying than to use these o old favorites as either garden vase companions?

In the House

1. If the lovely old Lowestoft sugar bowl, which delighted your soul every time you had roses to put in it, has been cracked and mended, do not despair. It will still hold water if you line its insides with a thin coating of melted paraffin. Put a little extra paraffin in the bottom and press a needle holder into it just before it hardens. Then your bowl will be ready whenever you are lucky enough to have the roses.

2. Speaking of roses, our English cousins can give us lessons in their arrangement, as well as in their garden culture. For sheer charm and simplicity it would be hard to match Constance Spry's arrangements of old-fashioned roses in *Flowers in House and Garden* (New York, G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1937). Roses do not take kindly to modern stylized treatment. They need only to be allowed to be themselves, whether in porcelain, silver, or crystal, or the humblest earthenware or pewter. True aristocrats, they are the sort of flowers that can "walk with kings, nor lose the common touch."

3. Being "correct" in decoration is like crooking the little finger that holds the teacup. It is a pseudo-refinement that fools no one. Don't worry about being correct in making a flower arrangement. Ask yourself, only, "Is it decorative? Does it give me pleasure?"

4. Sweet peas and gypsophila are a combination dictated by habit,

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not desirability. The clarity of a sweet pea's crisp winged form is blurred and lost in this association. Instead, mass sweet peas in bunches of separate colors and surround the bunches with the strong, broad leaves of giant saxifrage (*Bergenia* or *Saxifraga cordifolia*), or galax in winter, or with clusters of sun-bronzed foliage of *Ajuga reptans*. The dark, thick ferny foliage of astilbe is becoming to sweet peas, too. Of course, if you can cut sweet peas recklessly with buds, tendrils, and foliage they need no other foil.

5. Be as fastidious about flower arrangement for a dining room table as you would be about the food you serve. Never use anything "messy"—petals that will drop, leaves spotted or eaten by insect pests, water cloudy or discolored. Your table arrangements get close scrutiny and should be extra fresh, crisp, and appetizing to the eye.

6. There is a certain value in sheer quantity when using commonplace material. Try grouping field daisies in thick white drifts, in a low bowl, to remind you of a whole field full of them. Use clouds of sweet rocket with its subtle mauves and lavenders shadowing the white delicately. Or have a mist of gypsophila in clear crystal for its own sake instead of as a mere filler.

Since the best thing about bachelor's buttons is that they are so wonderfully blue, why dissipate their strength by scattering them here and there in an arrangement? Concentrate them to make the most of their singing color.

7. If you are doing the flowers yourself for a small house wedding, do not waste time or flowers by making arrangements below the level of the eye. Mantels, high chests, the top of a desk or bookcase, and the piano are all strategic positions for arrangements. If you have some good-looking tôle or copper wall pockets they could be used effectively in the hall or on the porch. Get your flowers up high, to be seen above the crowd and to be out of the way.

8. For large massed arrangements, particularly for a wedding or party at a club or hotel, where it would not be convenient to go back after your precious holders, use the well-known trick of gobs of chicken wire, tied down firmly with string as if you were wrapping the vase up like a paper parcel. When the arrangement is finished cut the string and remove it from view. The tightly packed flower stems hold everything in place.



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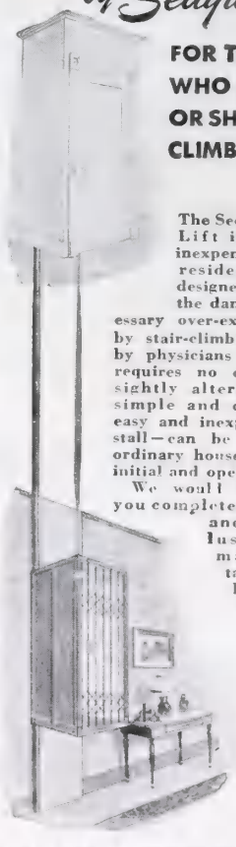
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Syracuse, New York. Dr. Edmund H. Mills Municipal Rose Garden is in Thornden Park, near Syracuse University. Nine thousand roses of 300 varieties bloom in the three-acre garden, built by the city of Syracuse with the sponsorship of the Syracuse Rose Society.

Ithaca, New York. At Cornell University there are 2,500 bush roses of different varieties; a large collection of Climbers, old and new; and many species and shrub types. Experimental work is on display here.

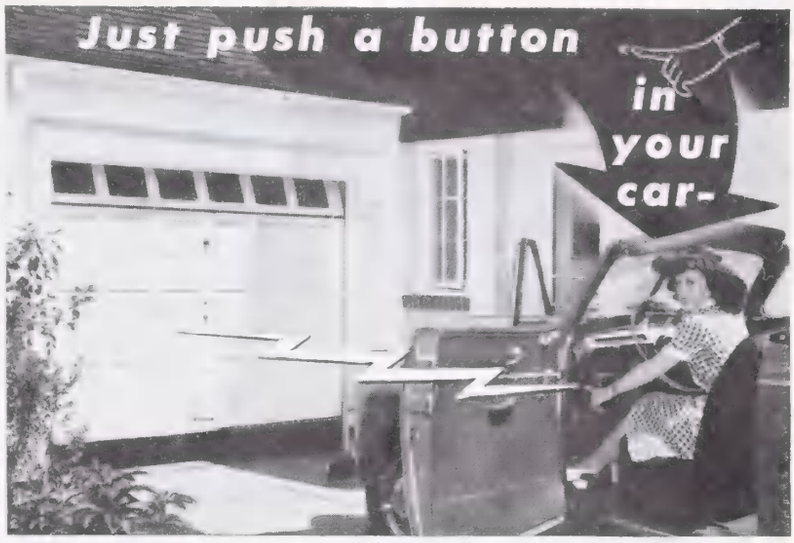
Rockford, Illinois. The garden of the Rockford Park District occupies a rectangular panel 80 x 480 feet, made up of 58 beds in which are grown 1,950 Hybrid Teas and Hybrid Perpetuals, 1,110 Polyanthas, 1,780 Rugosas, 20 Climbers. A "rose bank" of 4,070 roses covers the entire Riverfront area of Rockford.

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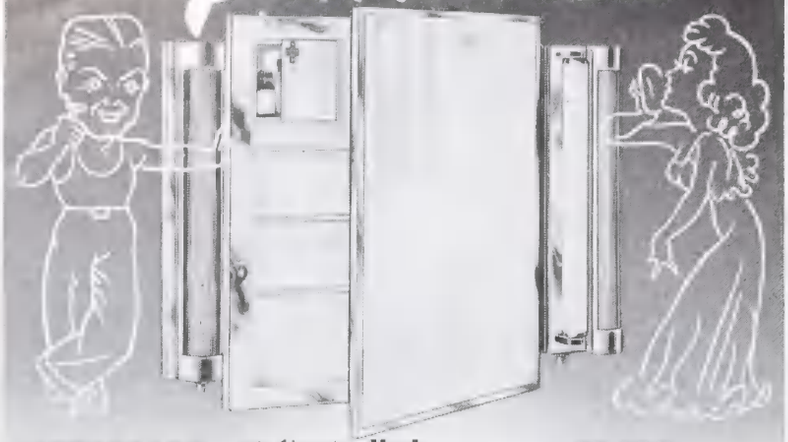


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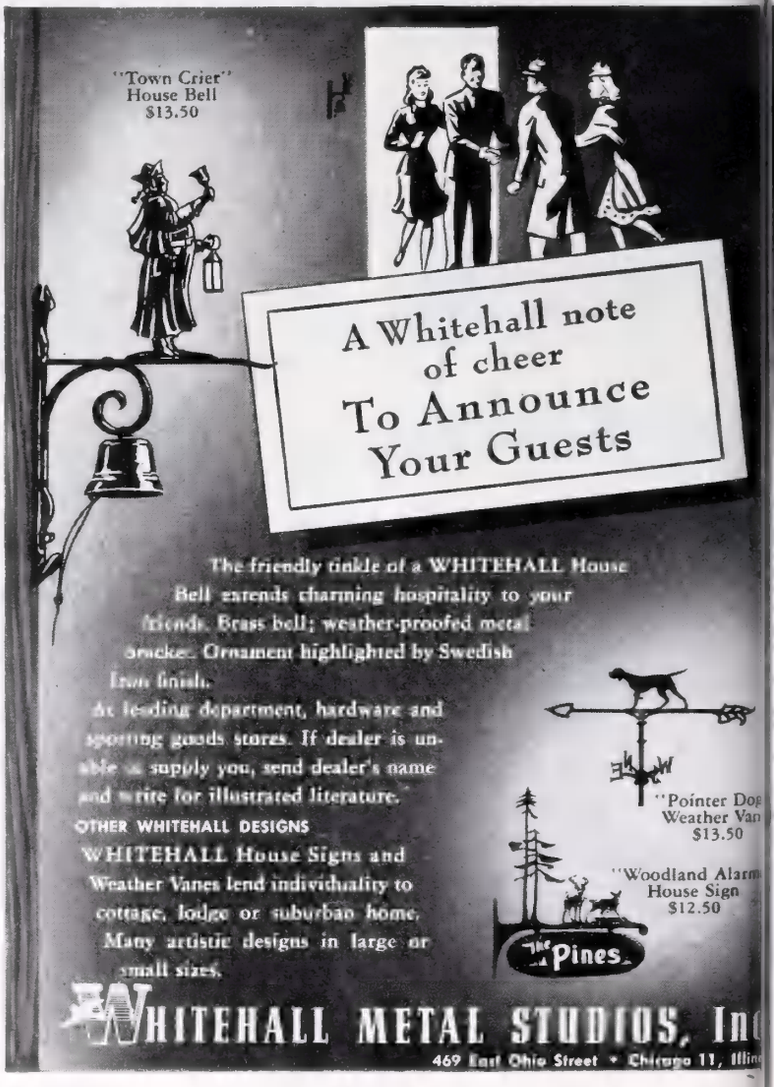
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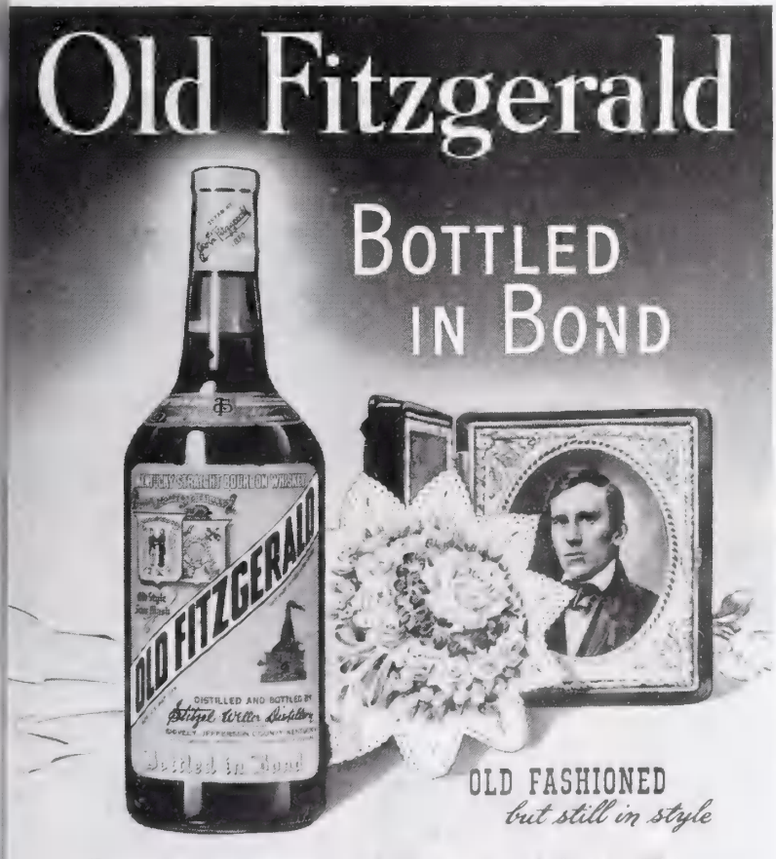
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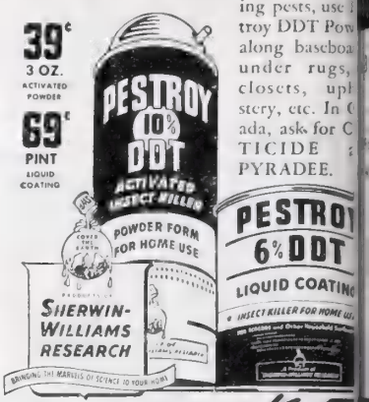
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3. Never shake or beat rugs. It breaks threads, loosens tufts, and damages supporting structure. Never hang large rugs over a line.
4. Never pull out tufts or knots; you may make a hole. Clip off ends with a scissor close to the pile.
5. Never sweep rugs with a broom. And don't be afraid to use a vacuum on new rugs. Frequently vacuuming helps shorten the necessary "shedding" of fiber and nap.
6. Areas badly crushed by furniture weight can be improved by steaming with a hot iron over a damp pressing cloth. Clean thoroughly before steaming. Curling corners can often be overcome by steam-pressing both sides of the rug in the same manner.

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BEDDING

Pillows: Soak in lukewarm water; add ¼ cup washing soda per tub or machineful of water if very soiled. Remove pillows to warm soapy water, dousing and squeezing well to force water through them. Repeat washing in clean suds. Rinse in several clear waters. Pin to line, repinning frequently in different positions, shaking and fluffing occasionally on line during drying. Plump up when dry. Pick a clear breezy day for washing.

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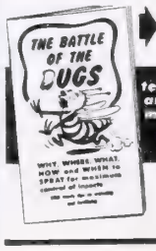
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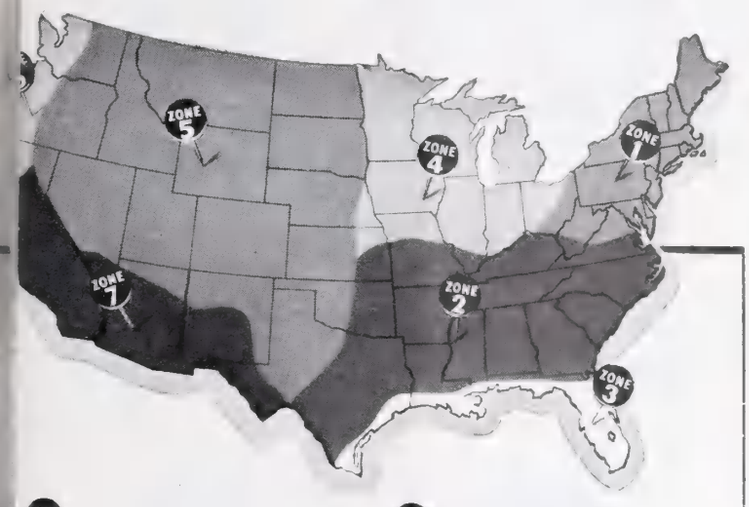
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ZONE 1 — The Northeast

ZONE 2 — The South

ZONE 3 — Florida and Gulf Strip

ZONE 4 — The Middle West

ZONE 5 — The Rocky Mountains and Great Plain

ZONE 6 — The Pacific Northwest

ZONE 7 — California and the Southwest

This is HOUSE BEAUTIFUL'S Gardening Zone Map of the United States. It is divided into seven main zones, determined not only by temperatures, but by soil, rainfall, and other factors that bear on what you can grow successfully. Whenever gardening procedures depend upon locale, we try to give the best advice for each zone, indicating the zone by number. Find your own zone number on the map so that you may apply our observations and reminders here and elsewhere in the magazine to your garden.

ıne is the flowering month for one of the choicest native plants—the mountain laurel. It may not draw the influx of tourists that the nellia does to the Southern states. However, most eastern gardeners d lovers of plants consider that a view of blooming mountain laurel, read over a hillside, is more than a just reward for a trip to the ountains each season.

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A visit to gardens around Charleston and Savannah leaves one with e impression that Southerners have made a happy selection of plants. such handsome natives as the live oak, bald cypress, Magnolia andiflora, *jessamine, American holly, and redbud, they have added e camellia, indica and kurume azaleas, bamboo, loquat, crape myrtle, ttosporum, and other plants whose perfection of foliage, form and wers are always a joy. None of the cheap miniature arborvitaes d retinosporas, so frequently seen in the North, have intruded on ese lovely gardens.*

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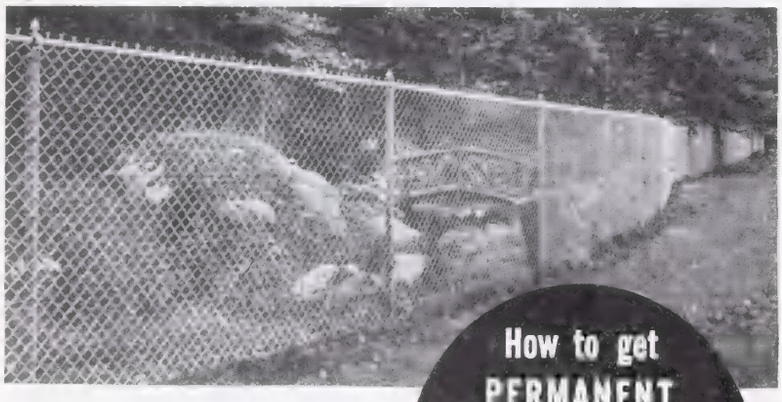
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If you are touring in some section of the country that is new to you, be sure to take along one or two catalogs from the best nurseries in the area. Their clear illustrations and concise descriptions will quickly acquaint you with the most common—and some of the rarer—plants. They take up little room and won't cause too much consternation if lost en route.

One of the most attractive occupants of an old country garden near New Hope, Pennsylvania, is garden heliotrope (Valeriana officinalis). *It set us to wondering why such a desirable perennial has gone out of style. As the garden owner pointed out, garden heliotrope, though not striking in itself, is one of the best mixers—both in the garden and in bouquets. In addition, the lavender or pink flowers are fragrant and bloom in June (around New York City), tiding the garden through a "between" season.*

Gypsophila Bristol Fairy is another fine mixer that should be in everyone's perennial border. Its masses of small white flowers, that give a mist-like effect at a distance, cover a large area in a short time.

For garden enthusiasm nothing can beat that of the city dweller who moves to the country and realizes for the first time the pleasure of good country living. J. I. Rodale, author of Pay Dirt (*The Devin-Adair Company, New York*), *is one of the best examples we know of an urbanite-turned-countryman.*

After spending the greater part of his life in New York City, Mr. Rodale moved his business to the country and started his farming hobby that has paid dividends both from his books and in a richer life for his family. His farm, in the rolling hills near Emmaus, Pennsylvania, is a mecca for horticulturists and part-time farmers.

Most people can identify a few plants from their bloom; many can tell a few plants from their leaves; a few can recognize some plants by their bark and growth habits while dormant. However, the nurseryman is about the only one who is able to distinguish plants by their roots.

Those who dig plants know, for instance, that the buckthorn has jet black roots; the euonymus has pure white ones; the mulberry, bright yellow; and the sand cherry, red. Viburnums and euonymus have dense masses of fine roots, while most of the prunus family have only a few large roots which may run clear across the yard. The better trees are deep-rooted and slow-growing, while the weedy trees, such as poplar and willow, are shallow rooted. Each plant has roots as distinctive as its better known flowers and, while flowers last only a few days, roots are always with us.

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than one quart jarful to 100 square feet at any one time. The ideal method is to mix fertilizer with soil before applying it. This gives a more uniform distribution.

Shade also can be responsible for lack of flowering. Few of our plants can produce good flowers without abundant sun. Still another cause is a superabundance of moisture. If you belong to the hose-lover's clan and enjoy saturating the soil every evening, stop the practice on the plants which lack flowers. This may explain, partially at least, why your wisteria, lilacs, and various other woody plants and perennials produce more leaves than flowers.

NOW what if your plants flower heavily, apparently at the expense of good foliage? Probably the bottom leaves have lost color. Here, too, the cause may be in the soil. The symptoms may be due to root injury from over-fertilizing, or from a soil which is too hot or too dry, or from a lack of nutrients. If you have consistently applied fertilizer through the years in quantities greater than those mentioned, or if you have made more than three applications in a single year, then too much fertilizer may have accumulated in the soil, particularly if the soil is lacking in clay or organic matter.

However, you may not be able to ascertain the exact reason for heavy flowering and poor foliage, so we will risk suggesting that your safest procedure, in any case, will be to apply a mulch to the soil surface. Make the mulch of pine needles, salt hay, or some other coarse material which will allow the rain and air to go through easily. Apply it only deep enough to keep the sun from the soil.

Next, sprinkle over the mulch a pint of a low-analysis shredded manure fertilizer to each 100 square feet. If you see a definite improvement in plant growth and leaf color, make a second, and third light application of the material.

Reinforce the mulch as needed to keep the soil covered, and, when dry weather approaches, apply enough water to saturate the soil to a depth of at least six inches. This may be done by using a canvas "soil soaker." An ordinary hose will also do the trick—just remove the nozzle, tie a bit of rag over the opening to disperse the water flow and let the hose lie on the ground.

Red spider, thrips, and various other pests can slow plant growth. Our own non-technical way of holding such pests in check is to use a hand duster which contains a three-quarter of one per cent rotenone dust. After dusting our vegetable garden each week, we refill the duster and proceed to dust everything else on the property, concentrating on the bottoms of the leaves. The tops receive enough dust.

OCCASIONALLY wash the undersides of the leaves with a forceful stream from the hose. Reapply dust a few hours later when foliage has dried. Usually, this prolonged job is reserved for a week end. The separate dusting may be done any evening, especially about sunset when breezes tend to die and dust is not blown away. Apply before dew covers the plants, however, for dew will reduce the evenness of covering.

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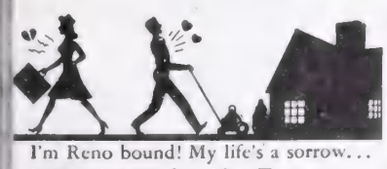
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many pests, tend to increase the damage from red spider.

Perhaps your plants grew well last year and you are wondering how to persuade them to continue. For vegetables and annuals you can safely mix pulverized limestone and a 5-10-5 or 4-12-4 fertilizer in equal parts. Apply a quart jarful of this mixture to each 100 square feet before digging or cultivating, and repeat the application after digging. Rake the surface application into the soil and allow it to stand for a day or so before planting. In addition to this, any rotted manure or decomposed organic matter which you can turn into the soil will be of tremendous benefit to your plants. A second application of this mixture made before the dry, hot weather sets in will almost always be of benefit.

Evergreens naturally prefer an acid soil. You can encourage this by applying decaying organic matter and by avoiding the application of lime. Usually, evergreens need little phosphate, so do not apply superphosphate separately.

Shrubs and evergreens, being fairly permanent plantings, should not be encouraged to grow rapidly. Your aim here should be to maintain their beauty without greatly stimulating their growth. First, insure the control of various insect pests. Next, give a little fertilizer in spring. The third step is to mulch everything, and to maintain it.

Finally, test your soil before applying lime. None may be necessary, and an overdose will do more harm than good.

SUMMER PRUNING

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The amount of pruning needed varies in different sections of the country. The milder and cooler the summers, the more summer pruning is needed. Also, where flowering shrubs and trees receive too much watering and fertilizing when grown in company with garden flowers, summer pruning corrects the resulting lush growth.

Established shrubs growing under normal conditions average about the same amount of new growth each year. Watch your quince at this season, and when the branches have reached about two-thirds of the season's total growth, cut the leaders back to one-half of that amount. The main shoot at the tip of each branch is known as the leader and side shoots springing from this branch are known as laterals. Cut the lateral shoots back to two, three, or four leaves, varying their length to give natural irregularity to the pruned shoot.

The basic rule for pruning flowering quince in summer is to cut leaders back to one-half their length when they have made about two-thirds their normal season's growth. At the same time, cut laterals to two, three, or four leaves.

If the shrub continues to make strong rank growth, it may be necessary to give it a second, or even a third, summer pruning at intervals of four to six weeks. The quince diagram shows how this second or third summer pruning is done. The new shoots springing from each pruned leader should be cut back to three or four leaves, and the new shoots from pruned laterals, not being as strong, can be cut back to one or two leaves.

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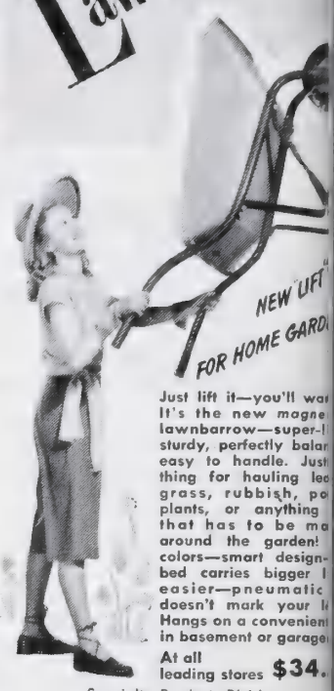


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The pruning of wisteria is basically the same, except that the leaders of main shoots should be allowed to grow unrestricted—to travel several hundred feet perhaps. Never use summer pruning in an attempt to keep a large plant down to a small size. As the diagram on page 132 shows, cut back all laterals to two, three, four, or five leaves. You will probably have to prune a young wisteria every two weeks throughout the summer until a large permanent structure has been formed. This may seem like a lot of work, but when the summer pruning has been carefully done, no other pruning is needed. Even more important, the wisteria will never become a tangled untidy mass of flowerless shoots. Both wisteria and quince should be pruned by this method only.

Summer pruning is, of course, essential to the special *training* of espaliered fruit trees. These trees can be shaped in a great variety of patterns but, whatever the pattern, the basic principle is the same. (See diagram page 133.) Allow main branches to grow unrestricted: that is, do not cut back the leaders. However, all laterals or unwanted shoots springing from the main stem are kept closely pruned throughout the growing season.

True espaliered trees are always grown on a special dwarf stock which makes it possible to keep them under control without an excessive amount of summer pruning. The amount of space allotted to each espaliered specimen varies a great deal with the type of tree and the stock on which it is grafted. Your nurseryman will advise you.

MOST flowering and fruiting trees need summer pruning to step up the production of flower buds and also to help form well shaped specimens with a clean, open pattern of branches. The basic rule mentioned above (cutting back one-half the length of each leader when it has made two-thirds of its normal season's growth and the cutting of laterals to two or three leaves) should be followed, but not slavishly. The variations of this rule, as the diagram of the flowering prunus shows, are largely a matter of artistry in forming a pleasing, asymmetrically balanced, uncluttered structure. The water sprouts indicated in the diagram often appear in abundance when a tree has just had a severe pruning of a number of large branches, or they may appear occasionally along the main branches of any well pruned flowering or fruiting tree. The sooner they are removed the better.



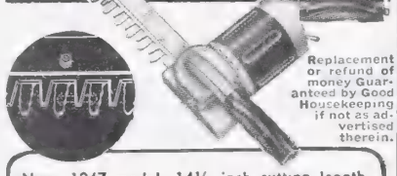
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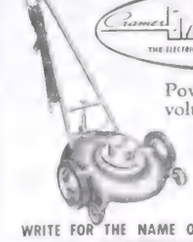
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